

## Refining 1421

### Chapter 1421 – The Warning With Saint Slaying

Lin Saint's eyes narrowed drastically and his expression started to falter. He was not a timid person who would be scared by a single sentence from Qin Yu. At this time a palm print attack came from the broken space. The surface of the palm print shone brightly with light and it looked like a jade.

The attack seemed to ignore Lin Saint's aura entirely and as it landed on his chest, a violent wave of destruction surged through. Instantly, his chest collapsed inwards. Although there was no sound, it was obvious that many of his bones had been broken. Blood gushed up and poured out from his nose and mouth.

This was the ninth disciple of the Peach Garden, Qin Yu.

Lin Saint finally understood the source of the uneasiness he felt after he heard Qin Yu's words and he took a hit. The first thought that popped into his mind was that the Peach Garden purposely tricked him. I must have been their target from the start!

The misjudgment of the barrier around the Peach Garden was the first step. Next, elder apprentice brother breaking through two realms surprised him. This was the third surprise.

With the power that one in the darkness had, if he locked onto the Peach Garden, he would have sensed any change in the atmosphere. He would not have missed Qin Yu's arrival. Despite that, Lin Saint was ambushed and did not receive any warning beforehand.

He could tolerate the first and the second, but definitely not the third...there was something wrong here. They wanted to kill him using the Peach Garden!

As soon as this thought formed, Lin Saint's heart clenched and he trembled in fear. He knew who his opponent was. After he was forced backward from such a huge force, Lin Saint tried to flee as his mouth continued to drip with blood.

The primary reason that drove Lin Saint to make this decision was the betrayal from 'them'. Even if he was a True Saint from the shore – one of the most powerful ranks in this world – there was no guarantee that he would be able to take them on.

The next reason was because of Qin Yu. From a single strike, Lin Saint could sense his overwhelming power.

The news that Qin Yu allied with the Spring Master to kill the Nether Saint was well known and because of that incident, Qin Yu became recognized as an individual as powerful as a True Saint. However, among the Saint circle, most True Saints gave the credit to the Spring Master. They acknowledged that Qin Yu was strong, but this was to a limited extent.

Not everyone was like the Dragon Saint of the East Sea who could recognize Qin Yu's powers.

Lin Saint realized his mistake in underestimating Qin Yu. However, he would soon come to see that his mistake was far worse than what he imagined.

If a True Saint from the shore became determined to run and escape, there was a high possibility that he would achieve this despite being surrounded by many other opponents of the same rank. At most he would pay a price, but he would be able to escape successfully.

Only if a Ruler interfered and sealed a portion of the world to block off his escape path would he struggle.

Qin Yu was no Ruler but he had a way to stop Lin Saint from escaping.

Lin Saint's expression turned into one of shock as Qin Yu suddenly appeared beside him.

There had been no warning of this and even if his senses were exceptionally strong, Lin Saint was not certain he would have sensed the change in aura.

What trick did he use?

The answer was Soul Hiding!

This was one of the skills that he learned among the five legacy Divine Ways of the Ruler. The Ruler's avatar had warned him of the dangers of learning the five ways but facts had proven that the Ruler's avatar was a liar. Her words could not be trusted.

Anyway, even if she was speaking the truth, this was something that Qin Yu would deal with in the future. He would not abandon what he painstakingly obtained just because of her warnings. After all, the Divine Ways were evidently very powerful and strong.

Soul Hiding was a method where the user stored his own divine sense. Using the body as a furnace to continuously refine the energy, he could improve the strength of this skill continuously.

However, the artifacts from a Ruler were unordinary and Soul Hiding was not just this. There was a hidden layer within it that could achieve resonance with it. This was called Body Hiding!

Using divine sense as a lure, once he set his target, he could stick onto its aura and float along with it as an invisible being. With this, he could quietly escape from danger without being noticed!

This was somewhat similar to Shield Guard. Qin Yu did not know much at his current cultivation realm but when the five Divine Ways were connected as a body, it would give rise to more enhanced senses for him. The five Divine Ways were not separate entities as there were connections between each of them and they complemented each other.

This was not the point. Qin Yu knew the answer but he would not tell Lin Saint how he did it. More importantly, he would not tell Lin Saint that his split second decision upon arriving here was that he would not let Lin Saint off. He would crush him to pieces!

Qin Yu's body was as sturdy as a jade piece. The light that reflected off him gave him an ancient feeling.

Lin Saint was already injured. When he saw Qin Yu punch, he did not hesitate to dodge the attack.

Right at this moment, he found that the space around him was very viscous. There was a huge pressure on him and he could not avoid the attack.

The punch drew nearer and Lin Saint cried in fear. He made some hand motions and a 'boom' sounded like a clock that chimed. A large clock shadow appeared above his head and covered him.

Qin Yu's blow fell onto the clock shadow and the thing jerked and shook violently. Numerous invisible shock waves drifted inwards and horror filled Lin Saint. There was fear in his eyes.

A shield as strong as jade was still a furnace that refined energy...this must be the reason why Qin Yu's body appeared to be jade when he attacked.

He had used Shield Guard to prevent Lin Saint from escaping easily.

The word 'guard' used to describe the skill was not very appropriate. Here, Qin Yu used its ability in reverse and he pulled Lin Saint into his divine sense. Because Lin Saint was not the owner of the divine sense, he felt the resistance from it when he was being 'protected'.

Of course, there was a huge limitation to using the skill in this way. Qin Yu had to be close enough to his target in order to suck them in successfully. Otherwise, with the sharp senses of a Saint, it would be easy for them to detect and avoid it.

It was only effective because it was used with Soul Hiding. This was how Lin Saint fell into his trap.

"You can't escape." Qin Yu coldly uttered. Lin Saint's heart clenched as Qin Yu threw another punch...the Royal Attack seemed like a simple skill, but when Qin Yu used it, his body took on a jade-like appearance. Mysterious and powerful energy gathered in him.

He had turned something complex into a much simpler form. Every punch was overpowering and Lin Saint could feel it with every inch of his body.

Bam –

The clock shadow shook violently. It was an illusion but it was forcefully being fed more power.

The result of this was that the middle of the clock shadow grew tougher. Once it became fully solid, it would be difficult for it to sustain another blow.

Crack crack –

As the cracking sounds came, Lin Saint's expression fell. He knew that he had underestimated Qin Yu but he never expected that the ninth disciple of the Peach Garden would be able to utilize such strange techniques. As a True Saint from the shore, he was being fully suppressed and he had no way to escape.

Boom –

When the third blow came, the clock shadow started to crack apart. Lin Saint spat out blood again and his eyes quavered in fear. He had never imagined that he would end up in such a pathetic scenario when he was not even facing a Ruler.

"Zhou Saint! If you don't step in, the two of us are going to die today!"

His scream rang through the Peach Garden. Right then, Zhou Saint appeared with a pale face. Even if he could dodge the blow from the Spring Master's Great Dao, he had to pay a huge price. Lin Saint must have known this too.

Were these two people connected? Or was there another secret behind this?

Zhou Saint's expression hardened and his eyes brightened. In a flash, his body shot towards Peachy, not Qin Yu.

Target the opponent's weakness to save his ally...this could describe his plan. However, he already noticed Qin Yu's attention on him.

"Brother Qin!" Lei Xiaoyu screamed. Her eyes were filled with glee, surprise, but also fear.

Lin Saint sighed deeply as he stared at Qin Yu. As long as Qin Yu saved Peachy, Lin Saint had a chance to run!

Smack!

Qin Yu snapped his fingers and Zhou Saint's expression suddenly changed. He threw his head upwards and roared. Waves of dark energy burst forth and numerous shadows screamed from within as they bit through the empty space.

Very quickly, Zhou Saint's expression turned uglier. His body was bound by an invisible force and it was pulling him towards Qin Yu.

"Did you think I did not notice you?" Qin Yu scoffed. He clapped his hands together and the two balls of Shield Guard force merged together.

Not only was it a defensive shield, it could be placed upon another person.

Qin Yu created a Shield Guard around Peachy and Lei Xiaoyu beforehand. Hence, he was simply waiting for Zhou Saint to fall right into his trap.

If it was just him, it would be very hard to bind both Saints here.

This was his plan – to make sure that Zhou Saint noticed his particular concern with Peachy's safety.

If he had not done this, the two Ghost Path True Saints would not have fallen for his trick so easily.

Lin Saint and Zhou Saint were fuming with rage. By this point, they realized that Qin Yu had set traps for them beforehand.

How dare he take on two True Saints by himself? Outrageous!

"Let's work together and kill him!" With that shout, the two True Saints attacked him simultaneously.

After seeing Qin Yu's strange techniques, neither of them had the confidence to take him on alone. However, with their combined force, they might be able to take him down.

More importantly, the circumstances were clear. Qin Yu would not let them off and hence they had to fight back.

If they killed him, everything would return to what they planned...perhaps, this was 'their' arrangement or it might have been 'their' choice.

Who the final victor from the battle between them and Qin Yu would be was not known. But whoever it was, 'they' would receive benefits.

Lin Saint and Zhou Saint exchanged looks. They were thinking about the same thing.

Qin Yu definitely did not know what the two Saints were thinking, but this did not concern him.

Dead men did not need to give explanations.

He was going to kill them and this was not just because of the harm they did to the Peach Garden. There was a more important reason.

The Vast Brightness World was going through a huge change and Qin Yu wanted to use this bloodbath to warn others. This would ensure the Peach Garden would be safe.

The death of two True Saints from the shore would be enough to achieve this!

### **Chapter 1422 – Vanquished Nation Gate**

All actions would come with consequences. Traces and evidence could be seen as shadows under a person's feet. No one could get rid of their shadow and no one would be able to hide their traces.

However, everything in the world was bound by limits and restrictions. Inevitably, any objective truth would also end up being limited.

Exceptions will nevertheless be there. If you have not encountered it yet, either you were out of luck or you did not have enough qualifications.

The shadowless were detached from the world and they were not bound by rules. As such, they were not recorded in books and they did not leave traces behind.

One of these shadowless groups of people were Rulers. Others were men who were at the same level as a Ruler.

Evidently, Qin Yu was able to move without causing any disturbance. He was a shadowless.

On the platform of the grand hall, many Peach Garden disciples' auras were gathered there. The two black-robed men who broke through kneeled down respectfully.

The hall, which was originally pitch dark, felt much more obscure. There were strange words coming from the darkness and the two people picked these up.

A few moments later, the whispers disappeared and the candlelight in the grand hall grew brighter. The two men stood up and their large robes covered their entire bodies. Their expressions could not be made out but the crowd could easily infer the seriousness.

"Shadowless..." A low voice came from the black robe. The voice appeared calm but there was a lot of emotion in his words.

The man opposite him spoke, "Everything in this world is fair and to gain something, you need to lose something. If you want it, this chance can be given to you."

“Hmph! Chances come with dangers. If you voluntarily gave this up, you must have sensed something.” The black-robed man fell silent, “if you want to share your information, I will owe you one.”

The man shook his head, “If I could make the preparations, I would not have given the chance to you...there is danger but it is not clear what it is. You don’t have to test me.”

The eyes beneath the black robe narrowed and he carefully surveyed the man opposite him. In the end, he could not glean anything and he said, “Then I will go ahead and find out what secret the ninth disciple of the Peach Garden, Qin Yu, is hiding.”

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Within the Shield Guard, Zhou Saint and Lin Saint wore ugly expressions. Their eyes were dark and cold. Involuntary fear filled their hearts.

They had to admit that the ninth disciple of the Peach Garden was strong, but he truly far exceeded their expectations.

Ignoring his cultivation rank, Qin Yu used very strange but strong methods that effectively bound the two True Saints.

No, ‘bound’ was not a good word to use to describe their current situation. If the situation continued, they were sure they would lose their lives here.

As this sinister thought crossed their minds, Zhou Saint and Lin Saint tried to break through the Shield Guard that imprisoned them. However, this resulted in failure after failure.

In front of them, Qin Yu was blinding with light. Every punch he released held so much energy that it made their hearts clench.

What terrified them the most was that each time Qin Yu punched, his powers grew stronger.

Qin Yu almost seemed to be using the two Saints as his test subjects. He was testing his capabilities and strengthening his control of his Divine Way with each blow.

It was terrifying!

It was obvious that Qin Yu had not mastered everything within his jade body. No, from the way his powers were improving, he probably just learned the basics of the skill.

He did not need to control it fully. As long as he made a step forward in the mastery of the skill, his powers would surge exponentially.

Although this scary explosion of power did not occur, Qin Yu was improving every second by tiny amounts. Eventually, he would reach a transformation.

By then, the two Saints who were trapped would explode and die.

The two Saints thought of this pitiful ending to their lives and they could not sit still.

Zhou Saint breathed in deeply and said, “We can’t delay any further; we must escape now!” Suddenly, his face contorted with pain and gargling sounds came from his mouth.

Rolls of dark smoke wafted off his body. At the same time, his surface flesh rotted. It seemed like he had been thrown into a furnace with raging flames that consumed him and turned him into ashes. More and more smoke started to form.

In the blink of an eye, all of Zhou Saint's flesh was consumed. The long robe he wore had shriveled up. When the smoke parted, a grotesque skeleton was revealed. Its body was completely black and sticky like ink covered it.

No, more accurately, this was a body whose flesh and blood were devoured but whose bones and organs were still intact. There was a thick layer of mucous wrapping around his organs, and through it, one could roughly make out his rapidly beating heart.

Within his hollow eyes, the black flames of the furnace continued to burn. As black smoke continued to float around him, the skeleton looked like it had just come out of hell!

Its mouth opened and a shrill scream came. A soul attack pierced through the air, heading straight for Qin Yu. The sun rose from the east and set in the west. Together with the moon, it formed a forcefield. This forcefield suddenly vibrated very violently, like it was a mountain that was crumbling apart. Numerous rocks rolled off the landscape and fell into the water. There was the reflection of a purple moon and blue sun and small crackling sounds came from it, as though it was under huge pressure and was on the verge of breaking.

There were the silhouettes of two women in the purple moon and blue sun. Their faces vibrated and a pained look crossed them.

This was the first time something like this had happened and it also showed how strong a True Saint's soul attack was. It could directly hurt the original bodies of the purple moon and blue sun.

At the same time, Qin Yu's body stiffened and pain shot through him like countless wooden splinters piercing his mind.

After taking in a deep breath to stabilize himself, he motioned with his hand and made a seal. He shouted, "Soul Hiding!"

Shoosh!

The murderous aura around Qin Yu disappeared suddenly like a barrier covered it. It felt like his soul had been transported to another space that was impossible to touch.

The destructive attack from the soul of the skeleton lost its target but Qin Yu did not completely shake it off. Instead, he managed to lessen the impact of the attack on himself.

At this moment, Qin Yu had a sudden intuition about Soul Hiding. If he could master this technique, he might eventually be able to completely shield himself against an attack of the soul.

"Shield Guard!"

The surrounding energy contracted and suddenly became full of an illusionary and light aura. It was no longer sticky like mud.

The appearance of this aura pushed aside the remaining powers from Zhou Saint's skeletal soul.

The defensive capabilities of this skill not only helped him against physical attacks, they could also cover soul-based attacks.

And the limits of Shield Guard's capabilities did not end here. Even though his current understanding of the skill was elementary, Qin Yu was able to make out its potential.

Aside from physical and soul defense, it could also protect him from mysterious powers like curses.

Like Soul Hiding, Qin Yu needed to continue to train Shield Guard. When his mastery of the skill was good, he would gradually be able to control it better.

Zhou Saint's skeletal body could feel that his soul attack had been stopped. The black flames in his eyes raged fiercer and the black mist around him was suddenly ignited. He seemed to have become an evil spirit surrounded in an endless sea of flames. Disgusting and destructive aura around Zhou Saint gushed out.

"Lin Saint!"

A strange, low voice came from the skeletal body. It was a chilling noise that sounded like two hard stones rubbing against each other.

As he spoke, the skeletal body stopped forward. It raised its arms and smashed down, "Vanquished Nation Gate!"

Kaboom –

Black bones which formed the fists of the skeleton struck the air and caused it to shake violently. Darkness followed suit and quickly dispersed.

It was as if a black drop of ink had dripped into water. At the same time, a large silhouette of a gate in the dark emerged. It appeared translucent but one could not make out the world behind it.

There was darkness and a withered yellow color. It seemed like an endless wilderness. Wild winds blew strongly through the area and from time to time, the face of a ghost would reveal itself.

Perhaps it sensed that the Vanquished Nation Gate had been opened and it desired the smell of fresh blood. Instantly, the wind blew fiercer on the wilderness.

Faces of ghosts would follow the wind. As wind blew against the door, the ghost faces would appear before it too. It felt like a large hand had swept through the wilderness and was trying to force the gate open.

Right at that moment Lin Saint attacked!

The reason why he could react so quickly was that he had made his preparations when Zhou Saint transformed into his skeletal body. He had been waiting for a signal.

These wise Saints did not need to have detailed discussions to execute plans. They could understand each other's thoughts with something as simple as a gaze.

"Perishing Star!"



Lin Saint raised his arm and directed it towards the Vanquished Nation Gate. He muttered a chain of strange words. He was like a leader who controlled the skies. Every star in the galaxy shifted, obeying his will.

In the next moment, light illuminated the Vanquished Nation Gate and the skies around the wilderness where the wind blew through turned red. Flaming meteorites ripped through the clouds and rushed towards the ground with determination.

Flames and a Vanquished Nation were two naturally opposing forces. When the meteorites fell, it naturally resulted in a fierce confrontation.

However, right at that point, the skeletal Zhou Saint screamed. Fierce winds around the wilderness shot up towards the sky and started to combine with the falling meteorites.

As such, the blazing fire turned into a sinister sea of bright light that was filled with a cold, nasty ghost aura. Ghost faces started to appear one after another.

Boom boom –

Deafening explosions came as the meteorites struck against the Vanquished Nation Gate. The impact of the collisions forced it open.

“Let’s go!”

Zhou Saint in his skeletal body shouted. He grabbed ahold of Lin Saint and the two of them shot through the gate and entered the world of the vanquished.

Right at that moment, a wave of uneasiness filled them. The two of them whipped their heads around. The closing Vanquished Nation Gate was being forced open by an invisible strength.

Suddenly, Qin Yu stepped forward. He got past the huge illusionary gate and was going to kill them!

Whoosh –

Strong winds blew across, causing his long robe to drift and his black hair to float nicely behind him. Vigorous power from the Rule System Body enhanced his physical body aura as he chased after them.

Kaboom!

The wind was even fiercer compared to when Zhou Saint transformed into his skeletal form. Across the wind, the haunting ghost faces were filled with greed, desire and viciousness. Their eyes locked onto Qin Yu and they followed the wind to chase after him. They wanted to devour his blood and flesh.

Qin Yu’s eyes were icy cold but right then, his heart jumped. He flipped his palm over and a small Blood Jade Coffin appeared. This was the treasure he obtained from Close Saint in Bounded Zero Place.

The Blood Jade Coffin expanded instinctively without Qin Yu acting. In the blink of an eye, it was already a few hundred feet wide. Slowly, the wooden cover of the coffin opened and Qin Yu wondered if he was mistaken when he caught sight of a pair of blood red eyes in the coffin.

The feeling of being watched crossed him. Next, a powerful suction force came from the Blood Jade Coffin. Those greedy ghost faces that had been chasing after Qin Yu suddenly shook violently and a fearful expression crossed them.

They screamed and they tried to control the wind to carry them away. To their horror, they realized that they had lost control of themselves.

Their consciousness was strong but they could not control themselves and could only helplessly drift along with the wind. Soon, they were sucked into the Blood Jade Coffin like it was a hungry black hole. As the ghosts screamed and cried, they soon created a vortex!

A secret item of the Ghost Path!

Zhou Saint's eyes quivered non-stop and shock filled him. The Ghost Path had gradually diminished with time.

He had never imagined this: the ninth disciple of the Peach Garden, Qin Yu, was a Ghost Path user. His powers were terrifying.

He came to this conclusion through the aura from the Blood Jade Coffin.

Shock and disbelief overwhelmed him but he also felt that all this was absurd. Nonetheless, Zhou Saint did not have any time to think about this now.

"We have to go!"

Qin Yu was a Ghost Path user and the aura from the Vanquished Nation would not affect him. Instead, it actually made him stronger and his powers would be enhanced. The best option for the two Saints now was to escape before they were bound again.

Lin Saint could sense Zhou Saint's feelings as well and he turned to escape without another word.

The two Saints did not run off in opposite directions because they did not know if they would be able to shake Qin Yu off.

If they combined their forces, they still had a chance to go against Qin Yu. From this perspective, escaping separately would mean certain death.

They were right, but this did not make them feel any better.

In the midst of their escape, the two Saints suddenly stopped and froze in place. They stared at the dark sky in the Vanquished Nation and their faces turned pale as their bodies started to tremble uncontrollably.

They did not know what was going to come but they had a very bad feeling.

In the next instant, they heard Qin Yu's cold voice, "Royal Attack!"

### **Chapter 1423 – Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation**

Zhou Saint and Lin Saint were powerful True Saints from the shore after all. Zhou Saint was also a mysterious and unpredictable Ghost Path user.

Based on their cultivation ranks, Qin Yu was confident that he could kill them. However, he was not sure whether he would be able to protect all the Peach Garden disciples during their battle. If the only requirement was to kill the two Saints, Qin Yu would have done so long ago.

Qin Yu waited until Zhou Saint and Lin Saint escaped and left the Peach Garden. He waited till they reached a place where they could be seen by many eyes.

Through the Vanquished Nation Gate, the two Saints had fulfilled both conditions. Qin Yu did not need to hold back any longer!

Actually, he could not wait any longer. He had taken a slight glance before and he found the bad state that Peachy was in. He needed to kill the two Saints quickly and rush back to the Peach Garden to help stabilize Peachy's condition.

This was why Qin Yu did not hesitate to attack. He unleashed his most powerful blow.

Jades symbolized royalty and this was why the attack was called Royal Attack. The word 'Royal' was the essence of the attack.

Since Qin Yu was going to use the killing of these Saints as an example, he wanted to use the most extravagant and effective way to kill them. There was no way out for them.

Displaying such strength would show everyone else how easy it was for him to kill True Saints. This would serve as a threat for others and also guarantee the Peach Garden's safety in the future.

A deep red color dyed the plain-looking sky of the Vanquished Nation. Like a volcano that had erupted with a lot of magma, the redness spread far out. In the blink of an eye, it 'lit' up the entire sky and burned it.

Boom boom boom –

The terrifying explosions shook hearts and numerous meteors crashed down from the burning sky and smashed heavily onto the ground. Their targets were the two Saints who stood rooted to their spots. Their bodies continued to shake from fear.

"Ah!" Zhou Saint cried. His skeletal body sounded like rocks rubbing against each other and he was about to go mad from fear.

At that moment, he felt the threat of death. It was so close to him that he could smell the scent of his own demise. As a Ghost Path user, this smell was not a stranger to him and his soul instinctively trembled.

He could not wait and he had to do something. Otherwise, he would really die today!

Kaboom!

Black flames spewed upwards and a massive skeletal giant appeared. Its arms were wrapped around him, protecting Zhou Saint within it. However, this was not enough. The giant cried painfully. 'Crack', a hole formed in his temple.

Like a gate that had been opened, this wound allowed many souls to fly out from his temple. Pitiful screams pierced the air. With a 'bang', the souls shattered and dispersed, turning into a rich red-colored light that covered the giant's body. This light was continuously sucked into the giant.

The mass of souls were uncountable and the red light that was formed from them looked like a bloody river.

"Lin Saint!" A cry came from deep within the red light.

Shoosh!

Lin Saint's body flashed and he dashed into the red light. The light automatically dispersed and formed a path for him to head into the giant's body.

Without hesitation, Lin Saint raised his hands towards the sky and shouted, "This place is restricted to all other living creatures!"

Buzz!

The rules of the heavens and earth vibrated and invisible distorted waves suddenly appeared and covered all of the Vanquished Nation.

It felt like he was the god of the heavens and earth in this place. His words turned into its will.

Lin Saint pointed another finger out, "No fire shall burn here!"

A third finger, "This place...sucks in all dead souls!"

Rules of the heavens and earth shook violently. In the burning sky, meteors continued to smash down with sharp sounds. This directly violated the first rule.

The speed by which the meteors rained down suddenly dropped sharply and it seemed like they were being stopped by an invisible force. This lasted only a second before the meteors were forcefully broken apart.

Lin Saint grunted and blood seeped out of the corners of his mouth. As the meteors crumbled apart, the second rule was activated. The flames suddenly dimmed and their destructive aura was reduced.

The giant roared as it placed both hands above its head. With booming sounds, deafening lightning and thunder ripped out of its palms.

In the distance, the sky turned pitch black and sinister clouds spread rapidly, carrying an atmosphere of despair.

This darkness seemed to be hiding the controller of the souls. Their controller was the Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation and he was a being that could not be contested.

A flash of relief passed through Lin Saint's eyes. This was precisely what he wanted. That was why he changed his last rule at the final moment. He wanted to lure disaster over and use the power of the dead to stop Qin Yu.

What happened actually exceeded his expectations and a Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation had arrived. It was the most powerful existence in the world of the dead.

Of course, this did not eliminate the possibility that this scheming, cold Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation had targeted this place from the start. It was possible that he had been hiding in the dark and waiting for the right opportunity to attack.

After all, devouring the physical body of a powerful cultivator and absorbing their soul was the dream of Sovereigns of the Vanquished Nation. Taking advantage of others was also one of the characteristics of these scheming creatures.

None of this was important. Regardless of the intentions of the Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation, the most powerful cultivator, Qin Yu, would be its priority. The Rule System Body's aura was an irresistible lure for the dead.

Blood red eyes appeared in the darkness. These big eyes that looked like lanterns carried an intense pressure and they could not hide the greed in them.

It had not encountered such fresh, high quality flesh before. However, right before the Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation stepped out of the darkness, Qin Yu suddenly glared at it.

A deadly cold aura instantly rushed through its heart.

The Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation did not know what skills Qin Yu used. No matter how powerful a cultivator's aura was, it did not affect the Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation.

However, it felt a very thick threat right now and it made the Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation feel like it could die at any moment.

These anxious thoughts quickly disappeared and its large eyes stared hard at Qin Yu as though it was trying to make a note of Qin Yu's appearance in his mind.

Not long later, the darkness dissipated. It left faster than it came and it was gone like the wind.

Lin Saint's eyes widened and his heart palpitated furiously. He almost spat out blood from his disbelief.

It ran...

A Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation, a being as powerful as a True Saint in the Vanquished Nation, had been scared away. All it took from Qin Yu was to give it a look.

A chill poured out from his heart and his face turned pale instantly. By now, Lin Saint was certain that making an enemy out of the Peach Garden was his mistake from the start.

The ninth disciple of the Peach Garden was scary...he was more frightening than anything anyone could imagine!

#### **Chapter 1424 – Onlookers**

"Help us!" An immense sense of horror overwhelmed their hearts as the smell of death drew closer. Lin Saint could no longer control himself and he screamed.

This cry for help revealed a point. He and Zhou Saint were allies who had agreed to attack the Peach Garden together.

It was a planned move for Zhou Saint to force Lin Saint to make a move outside the Peach Garden back then.

Qin Yu frowned and coldness filled his eyes. There was another important piece of information that he obtained.

There was a mastermind behind the two Saints...whoever this was, he was very powerful to be able to control two Saints.

A sudden thought crossed Qin Yu's mind and this made him shudder. A Ruler! Only someone as powerful as a Ruler would be able to do this.

He breathed in deeply to calm himself down. It was too late for him to turn back even if he knew that there was possibly a Ruler controlling the whole thing. Qin Yu could not do a u-turn right now.

Firstly, killing the two Saints would serve as a warning for others and indirectly protect the Peach Garden.

Secondly, the Ruler of the Vast Brightness World could not reveal himself and there must be a reason for this. The Spring Master brushed over the topic before but Qin Yu could confirm it as the Ruler would not show himself unless truly necessary.

Most important was the third point. After Bounded Zero Place, Qin Yu knew that he had someone supporting him. This party was a true Ruler.

She might be even more mysterious, ancient and powerful than the Ruler of Vast Brightness World.

Of course, it would not be appropriate to call this woman old. As such, Qin Yu immediately cast this thought aside. He did not know if the Ruler did something to him to understand his thoughts.

After all, she said that she had invested a lot in him and there were things that she would have to leave to him. She definitely would not ignore him.

Either way, Qin Yu was slightly worried about Zhou Saint and Lin Saint, but it was not much.

At the most, they would fight it to the end!

The coldness in Qin Yu's eyes turned darker and he was filled with killing intent.

With this suspicion of a Ruler backing the two Saints, he needed to kill the Saints decisively. He would not give them any chance to struggle and fight for their lives.

He triggered an attack and the booming sounds in the heavens and earth grew more intense. Flames burned violently and a piercing shock wave came as the meteorites sliced through the air.

The bone giant roared and the meteorites shattered. Destructive energy burst out and it caused a wave of power to sweep in all directions.

In that instant, a shroud of energy descended, covering the two Saints within.

If there had been only three or five...even ten or eight meteorites, the two Saints were confident that they could defend themselves against them.

However, the sky looked like a large burning hole. Countless meteorites crossed the air, dragging with them long tails of light.

The distorted rules of the heavens and earth had Lin Saint's Great Dao as their root and they were still in place. The rules were pierced through by the meteors but as long as Lin Saint remained alive, they would remain there.

In other words, every time a meteorite struck a rule, it would cause damage to Lin Saint.

Small things built up and once any item reached a certain level, it would become terrifying.

A True Saint's Great Dao was immeasurably powerful but it could not sustain damage repeatedly. Lin Saint's expression was as white as a sheet and it revealed an obvious scenario. His body was falling apart with each strike of the meteorites.

Unfortunately, the only thing he could do now was to grit his teeth and tolerate the onslaught. If he fell, Zhou Saint would not be able to survive against Qin Yu by himself.

The massive giant's body twitched as it was smashed into the ground repeatedly. Numerous deep cracks appeared on the ground and stretched out in all directions.

These cracks were not just on the ground. There were fragmentations in the giant's body as well.

Bright red blood seeped out from these cracks. As the blood flowed down, it looked like tiny blood rivers.

Inside the blood rivers, numerous painful faces appeared. These faces cracked and disappeared very quickly.

The giant bent over slowly and his large, massive legs could no longer take the flurry of attacks. Finally, it swayed from side to side before kneeling down.

Crack crack –

More cracks appeared on its bones.

This was the maximum that it could take.

However, no reinforcements arrived for them and the two Saints were heartlessly abandoned.

Lin Saint raised his hands to the sky and as his lips vibrated, he cried, "Great Stars!"

The Vanquished Nation's sky was dyed a deep red. Slowly, the flickers of stars started to appear and soon, a mass of stars had gathered. As though they were being attracted, they covered the giant's body, providing a layer of armor to it.

As expected of a True Saint, this was what he was capable of. Unless the opponent was a Ruler where the gap in power was insurmountable, it would not be so easy for the opponent to kill him speedily even if he had the upper hand.

The two Saints could not run nor could they avoid the storm of meteors that was upon them. The only thing they could do now was to buy time.

Such a terrifying Divine Way certainly had a limit to it. Perhaps the rain of meteors would stop in the next instant and the sky would no longer burn. Perhaps 'they' would see a chance to offer help and send the two Saints reinforcements.

Despite the fact that no one predicted this, they could only create a chance for themselves by resisting. If they gave up, death would be the only way out.

Qin Yu knew what the two Saints were thinking. He smirked and a cold expression crossed his face.

The Royal Attack could control stars in the sky. The meteor rain proved that. Although Lin Saint had witnessed the power of the meteor attack, he still called forth the stars and used them as armor for the giant.

This was suicidal for them. Lin Saint must have lost his mind. The only other possibility was that Lin Saint thought that the 'meteor rain' was the limit of Qin Yu's capabilities.

Qin Yu stepped out. Raising his hand, he curled his five fingers into a grip and grabbed above him.

"Royal Attack!"

His deep voice rang out and the stars started to tremble. Lin Saint's eyes widened and he spat out blood continuously.

He was in complete disbelief, never expecting that his own Divine Way would be broken down so easily.

No, 'broken down' was not a good way to express what happened. It was more accurate to say that Qin Yu stole control of his own Divine Way.

A mass of stars peeled away from the sky and formed a large, bright pike.

Shoosh –

Without any delay, the Star Pike pierced forward. It smashed into the giant in a flash.

The collision of the Star Pike against the Star Armor lasted only a second before the giant cried painfully. A loud boom came from the Star Pike as it penetrated the giant and pinned it to the ground.

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After the two Saints opened the Vanquished Nation Gate and escaped into it, they exposed their own situation to other eyes.

These eyes belonged to other True Saints from the shore of the Vast Brightness World. They were going to decide their subsequent actions with regards to the Peach Garden through the outcome of this battle.

By seeing how Qin Yu could easily crush the two Saints without giving them any way out, all the Saints became nervous. No one had expected the strength that Qin Yu possessed!

His powers were enough to shake the world and protect the Peach Garden. Even if the Spring Master had passed, the Peach Garden would remain safe.



If the Saints' only objective was to verify Qin Yu's strength, they had already obtained their answer. However, the number of observers did not decrease. They continued to stare at the Vanquished Nation, waiting for the situation to unfold.

They also guessed that someone was hiding behind the two Saints. Someone who could control two Saints....tsk, this thought alone was frightening.

A calamity to the world was here and as True Saints from the shore, their senses were sharp and they picked out strange happenings.

Was the hidden power behind the two Saints 'them'? If that really was the case, 'they' would probably not let the two Saints die.

As such, Qin Yu needed to go through another test before the matter would really come to a close.

This test was not going to be easy. Despite being someone who seemed so strong, Qin Yu might even die.

After all, 'they' also had a Ruler backing them!

This was the thing that all the Saints were waiting for...

Right at that moment, everyone's eyes swept in one direction and their expressions turned serious.

It was here!

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Qin Yu also sensed the powerful aura that came like a mountain descending. A huge pressure crushed the air and covered the sun. It made the entire area feel dark and oppressive!

Kneeling on the ground, the giant's body was full of cracks. Within it, the two Saints' eyes widened and they cried, "Save us! Save us!"

The True Saint who arrived was wrapped entirely in a black robe. A terrifying aura around him surged forward instantly and he said, "A great calamity is about to befall the Vast Brightness World. No True Saint shall be sacrificed..."

Before he could finish, Qin Yu cut him off. His eyes were cold and they looked like sharp arrows that would pierce through the man, "So you are the person they were waiting for? Very good!"

He did not give any chance for the True Saint to speak before he attacked. He turned his palm around and gripped. This action seemed to be grabbing something beyond the Vanquished Nation Gate.

Boom –

A destructive aura burst out like an erupting volcano from Qin Yu's body. It spread in all directions and covered everyone.

The True Saint's expression darkened and he froze. His eyes were burning with killing intent but he started to tremble.

His first thought was that he could not take the blow!

The second thought...death...

As the aura washed over him, this True Saint who looked ready to kill suddenly felt the strong threat of death. He wondered if Qin Yu would even give him a chance to speak or if he would attack in the next moment.

Shoosh!

The True Saint backed away quickly, ripping apart the space in the Vanquished Nation. He disappeared in front of everyone.

Silence engulfed the world!

All the onlookers were stunned and filled with disbelief during this silence.

### **Chapter 1425 – The Change in Catastrophe**

The ninth disciple, Qin Yu. This was the ninth disciple of the Peach Garden, Qin Yu!

No, from today onwards, he would no doubt be known as the guardian of the Peach Garden.

And Qin Yu had proven with his actions that he was worthy of replacing the Spring Master. He had really shot to power and was formidable in the context of the entire Vast Brightness World!

Vanquished Nation.

After getting pierced by the Star Pike and being nailed to the ground, Zhou Saint and Lin Saint were both in despair within the giant skeleton.

They knew that after the black-robed True Saint left, there was no chance for them!

But right at this moment, Qin Yu looked extremely relaxed. He maintained his hand position and closed his five fingers. His fingers were slightly white as his veins popped. It was as if he was really holding an invisible item.

Crack –

Crack –

The gate of the Vanquished Nation was still in the open state. Cracks appeared as it shook and the cracks interlaced.

Qin Yu looked up and his pupils contracted, as if staring at something.

The black-robed True Saint had already retreated. However, he felt a strong unease.

It was as if a horrifying existence had followed the black-robed True Saint and came to the Vanquished Nation.

It was here yet it could not be detected by sight or divine sense. It was like a shadow. Yet it could send one to hell at any time.

Even with Qin Yu's current cultivation, the feeling he got was horrifying, as if he could be killed at any moment...it could only be a Ruler!

The people in the Vanquished Nation had startled looks; it was obvious they could sense something from Qin Yu's behavior and they all shivered.

Rulers did not show themselves. Was this going to change with the calamity? If that was truly the case, there was really going to be a change!

True Saints were the peak in the world but they did not have the ability to direct and control Vast Brightness. A Ruler was going to personally make a move!

They were all going to be chess pieces...at most, they would be a slightly stronger chess piece.

Under the deadly silence, Qin Yu let out a long breath; the horrifying and destructive feeling that he felt had finally disappeared.

This meant that the Ruler who came had chosen to leave.

Perhaps this was because of the restriction on Rulers of not being able to appear or maybe they sensed the aura of the woman from Qin Yu.

But no matter what, it was not because the Ruler feared Qin Yu's abilities.

This was an awkward situation. But after experiencing the evil-intentioned look of the Ruler, Qin Yu's heart was tight and he was in no mood to feel awkward.

He had initially thought that with his current cultivation and power, he would be able to look scornfully at everything.

Although the Rulers had yet to appear in the current world, there was no doubt that they had started to move to plan and position. If he wanted to stop being a chess piece, he had to become stronger!

Boom –

Boom –

Boom –

Loud explosions could be heard as the meteorites continued to fall. The giant skeleton had completely fallen and Zhou Saint and Lin Saint's aura disappeared.

Two powerful True Saints had died!

Even though he was the murderer, Qin Yu still felt the brutality and cruelty of the heavens' catastrophe.

If he could not become stronger, then although today it was Qin Yu killing others, next time, he would be the one to be killed.

He cleared his mind and calmed himself down. With a wave of his sleeve, the flames extinguished and the Blood Jade Coffin flew out into the giant skeleton on the ground.

Hoo –

Hoo –

A strange and piercing sound emitted from the Blood Jade Coffin. Two very visible illusions formed in the air. It was Zhou Saint and Lin Saint who had been killed!

They looked resentful and were resisting. However, they could not resist the power of the Blood Jade Coffin; they wailed as they became two balls of light and got absorbed.

Pak –

The Blood Jade Coffin closed and returned to Qin Yu, who caught it and stored it.

Having done all this, he looked around and made sure he did not leave anything before turning and stepping through the door of the Vanquished Nation.

In the moment that Qin Yu disappeared, the Vanquished Nation suddenly shook and a strong repelling force could be felt. ‘Bom’ the gate of Vanquished Nation slammed shut as if it could not wait to get rid of a demon.

Because of the open state that the gate of the Vanquished Nation had been in, although the people in the Peach Garden could not hear the sound, they could see everything that was going on.

They saw how Qin Yu scared away the Vanquished Nation Sovereign and the black-robed True Saint, and used the Star Pike to pierce through the giant skeleton. He then used meteorites to kill it. It made everyone’s emotions stir.

As Lei Xiaoyu saw Qin Yu step through the gate of the Vanquished Nation and return to the Peach Garden, she was extremely excited. She stepped forwards and shouted, “Brother Qin!”

She had previously thought she was really going to die.

Qin Yu nodded towards her before he frowned as he turned to see elder apprentice brother in Thousand Faces’ arms.

Seeing Qin Yu look at him, elder apprentice brother forced a smile, “I am fine.”

Woosh –

Qin Yu took a step and appeared beside him, “Elder apprentice brother, do not resist!”

He was frowning and looked like he was concentrating. Everyone who had looked happy just previously now had a flash of understanding.

Thousand Faces stared at Qin Yu and looked in pain. Under everyone’s gazes, she changed her face.

She was equally pretty, but now deep in her eyes, there was a more intense coldness.

Qin Yu looked at her and frowned even harder but did not say anything.

Seeing his elder apprentice brother nod, Qin Yu stretched out a hand and touched him, “Furnace!”

He ‘saw’ clearly how bad elder apprentice brother’s condition was. He had just gathered his Great Dao but then suffered numerous hits and it was now on the edge of disintegrating.

More accurately, it had already started to disintegrate. If he could not stop it, he would die.

Elder apprentice brother stopped talking and it seemed as if he knew his current condition. But as he looked at Thousand Faces as well as the other people looking worriedly at him, he forced a smile and remained silent.

Everyone in this world would die eventually and no one knew what their future held or what they would go through. Even their master, who was extremely strong, had died. For him to die was a very natural thing.

Qin Yu did not get any response. Furnace's aura was normal but seemed to be in an extremely dispirited state, like a lying corpse.

It was obvious that 'Furnace's Great Dao' had caused severe damage and it had yet to recover.

Although Qin Yu could understand that it had suffered severe emotional damage after having to 'give birth' as a male, elder apprentice brother was in a critical state and could die at any time. He did not have time to allow Furnace to slowly recover.

Taking a deep breath, Qin Yu growled internally, "Furnace! This is my second and last time calling you! Believe me. If not, since you can give birth once, there can be a second time..."

As if its buttocks had caught on fire and then its wound was ripped open again, Furnace's silent energy fluctuated once more and appeared in Qin Yu's mind. The image was of an extremely angry fire that was trembling all over and gritting its teeth.

Without giving Furnace a chance to vent, Qin Yu spoke coldly, "Since you are alive then hurry and save him. If you can do it, I promise to never let you experience something like that ever again."

Smacking with a stick before offering a treat. This was probably how it felt and Qin Yu did this perfectly. Furnace was in a daze before it fell silent.

Qin Yu breathed a sigh of relief.

"Remember what you promise..."

A vague message floated in his mind. After Furnace swallowed the Inextinguishable Flame, it had undergone a transformation and was now able to communicate externally.

Buzz –

Furnace's illusion appeared and it emitted an absorption energy. Seeing Thousand Faces frown, Qin Yu said, "Seventh apprentice sister, don't worry, elder apprentice brother will be fine."

She stared silently into Qin Yu's eyes for a few moments before she released her hands that were holding elder apprentice brother. Elder apprentice brother floated up and entered Furnace's illusion.

Although she did not say anything, her look made Qin Yu slightly jittery and he could not help but frown...the coldness in Thousand Faces' eyes was not normal.

He thought about it before he asked internally, "Are you confident?"

Furnace was indifferent, "He won't die..." It was obvious that Furnace was still angry.

But whether it was angry did not matter, as long as it could save elder apprentice brother. He would deal with Furnace in the future. Now, what was more important was Peachy.

Elder apprentice brother's situation was critical so Qin Yu had to deal with him first, but this did not mean that Peachy was fine.

Seeing Qin Yu look at her, Peachy's mouth twitched, "Where did my father die?"

Qin Yu grabbed her hand, "I can answer all your questions, but not here."

He looked at everyone, "Dear seniors, let me settle Peachy. I will let you all take over here."

As he said that, he took a step and flew out, bringing Peachy with him.

Woosh –

The air shifted and a pale-looking White Phoenix appeared. He looked at Qin Yu and Peachy leave and smiled, "Everything is fine now."

Everyone understood what he meant. Although they had already guessed it, they could not help but smile.

Their junior-apprentice brother had returned and killed two True Saints. He showed how strong he was and no one would dare to have wry thoughts about the Peach Garden.

They had survived this catastrophe!

"Since we have survived, we will remember every single thing that happened today!" Second apprentice brother sneered. The Peach Garden had never pretended to be a righteous sect and repay evil with good.

On the contrary, they would hold grudges starting from the Spring Master.

"Second apprentice brother is right. However, we cannot rush it. We need to restore order in the Peach Garden and become stronger."

As he said this, White Phoenix paused and looked seriously at everyone, "In the past, Master was around and we could enjoy our status as disciples of the Peach Garden freely under his protection. But now that he is gone, although we have junior-apprentice brother, as his seniors we cannot just accept his protection without feeling embarrassed. So it is time that we work harder to break through our current realm and become Saints!"

Second apprentice brother turned and walked away, "I will be isolating in the wine cellar. Unless necessary, no one is to disturb me!"

Woosh –

In a flash, he disappeared.

In Furnace's illusion, elder apprentice brother opened his eyes and looked in the direction Thousand Battle disappeared in. He said slowly, "After three days, if Thousand Battles still has not come out, go and ask junior-apprentice brother for help."

“Yes, elder apprentice brother!” Everyone replied as determination filled their eyes which had been conflicted. After surviving today’s catastrophe, the disciples of the Peach Garden had undergone a change. If no accidents occurred, they just needed some time and they would be able to increase their power tremendously.

### **Chapter 1426 – the Peach Garden’s Wine Cellar**

The situation with Peachy was tricky. What was worse was that Qin Yu realized she had lost the will to live. He opened his eyes and looked at Peachy. Then he frowned slightly as he spoke softly, “Senior-apprentice sister, don’t worry. I am back and can protect you.”

Peachy shook her head, “Junior-apprentice brother, you don’t have to harm yourself in order to save me...” In her blank eyes, there was a hint of pain and dullness, “I am a jinx. Ever since I was born, I have caused unfortunate things to happen to my parents. I don’t wish to implicate anyone else.”

Qin Yu’s heart clenched as he was sure Peachy knew about the real reason that caused the Spring Master to die. This was a cruel truth and he could understand how Peachy was feeling right now. But no matter what, he could not watch Peachy give up on herself.

He thought quickly and took a deep breath, “Senior-apprentice sister, since you already know how you have lived until now, then how can you bear to let the Spring Master’s sacrifice go to waste?”

He stared at Peachy and his tone became more serious, “Saints are almost immortal. If not to save you, the Spring Master’s injuries would not have continued to worsen until he was too weak and eventually died!”

Peachy stiffened as pain filled her cold eyes.

Qin Yu was trying to save her, not hurt her with his words. So when he saw Peachy’s emotions get triggered and she was no longer the stale water she was initially, he immediately softened his tone.

“The Spring Master loved you so much that he was willing to sacrifice himself to protect you. Because of this, your life is not yours alone – it is also the remainder of the Spring Master’s life. How can you bear to give it up? If the Spring Master knew about this, he would be extremely upset.”

Peachy lowered her head, “I want to live, but only Great Dao can lengthen my life...no matter who helps me, they will eventually end up like my father...”

Qin Yu immediately said, “Me!”

Looking at Peachy, he smiled and did his best to sound gentle and sincere, “I don’t know if you’re aware, but I can tell you that I am cultivating the True God Path. I don’t think I have to explain this type of cultivation much but I should not be able to have a Great Dao. However, with some luck, I managed to get a Great Dao.

“I know that this is very hard to believe but I promise that everything I am saying is true. I have to admit that getting the Great Dao helped increase my abilities by a lot. But this is just an extra benefit. So even if my Great Dao suffers, it will not put me in danger. Additionally, as someone taking the True God Path, since I am able to get a Great Dao, I can also repair and mold it. So even if it is damaged, it is not unrepairable.

“Elder apprentice brother’s injury was related to the damage of his Great Dao. The furnace I summoned can save him and it will work on me as well...of course, senior-apprentice sister, you have probably heard of this furnace. You met it before in the Endless Sea. I was able to survive only because you and the Spring Master helped me. Eventually, I managed to use the furnace to get a Great Dao. Every little step is like fate...so it is only right that I help you. It is what I owe the Spring Master and the Peach Garden.”

After saying so much, Qin Yu’s mouth felt dry. It was not that he was thirsty but he was feeling nervous. If Peachy was set on dying and did not cooperate with him, she would really die.

Her death would mean that everything Qin Yu had worked for would be meaningless. Ning Ling and You Qi would disappear and never be able to return.

Peachy did not move as she continued to look down, not seeming to be moved by Qin Yu. Qin Yu was racking his brain but did not know what to do. Right at this moment, she suddenly said, “Tell me one thing.”

Qin Yu extended his hand, “Please speak.”

“I can sense that you have another reason for saving me. What is the reason?” Peachy looked up into Qin Yu’s eyes.

His heart skipped a beat and his first thought was to hide the truth. But he quickly suppressed that thought.

He was silent for a moment before he replied, “I am saving you...to save someone...” He looked up and a bitter smile formed on his face, “This is quite a long story so let me summarize it. If you are interested, I can tell you in detail when your condition is more stable.”

Since he already started, there was no need to hide what he found out about the Path of Ten Thousand Souls and how it related to Peachy, Ning Ling, and You Qi. He said it simply.

“That is how things are. So I saved you because I promised the Spring Master that I will do whatever I can to protect you, and it is also because I have to. I did not tell you the truth earlier to prevent unnecessary trouble. Please forgive me.”

Across from him, Peachy looked calm and she did not express any emotions. After a few moments, she said slowly, “I will have to trouble you.”

Delight shone on Qin Yu’s face as he rushed to say, “This is what I should do. You don’t have to thank me.” He had finally convinced Peachy to continue surviving. He did not dare to delay any longer as he reached out to touch Peachy’s forehead.

“The process might be a bit painful. Please bear with it for a while!”

After two hours, Qin Yu’s face was pale as he finished up. This was the first time he used his Great Dao to save someone. There were a few times when he almost made a mistake.

Thankfully, he completed it successfully.



Across from him, Peachy closed her eyes; her clothes were drenched in sweat and they stuck to her voluptuous figure.

Qin Yu could not bear to look anymore and he coughed lightly as he got up, "Senior-apprentice sister, your condition is stable now. I will take my leave."

Peachy nodded very slightly.

Qin Yu turned to leave and the sound of the door closing could be heard. Peachy opened her eyes; they looked extremely dull, with complicated bitter emotions running through them.

So it was like this. It was because of this. Then...she should give up on the thoughts she should not have.

Whether it be because of the affection she felt towards her father for sacrificing his life to save her, or the gratitude she felt towards Qin Yu for saving the Peach Garden from danger, she could not refuse his offer to save her.

But how should she continue living in the future? A realization filled her and Peachy suddenly lowered her head, going silent.

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Hoo –

Qin Yu let out a long breath as he turned to look back at Peachy's residence. An unwillingness shone on his face. He hadn't rushed to leave earlier solely because of Peachy's drenched clothes. It was also because he did not know how to face her.

He told her the truth without hiding anything. Although it did make Peachy no longer resist being saved, it was another blow to Peachy when she was already weak.

Qin Yu's true reason for saving her was not because of her, but the avatars of her split soul.

The Spring Master was dead and Peachy had no one to rely on. Qin Yu could sense that her emotions had changed.

He also knew that his approach towards Peachy was probably a big blow to her.

But he had no other way to explain this. Because the truth was as such.

He stood on the spot and used his senses. As soon as he felt something off, he would step out to stop her...he had to admit that he was very cruel towards Peachy.

But no matter what Peachy thought, he would not allow her to die.

And when someone could not even decide their own death, it was an incredibly miserable thing.

Thankfully, Peachy did not give Qin Yu the chance to act so cruelly. Her aura stabilized.

He waited for a moment longer. After confirming that she would not do anything rashly for the time being, he turned to leave.

Although Furnace had provided a confirmation, Qin Yu was not able to completely rest assured. Thankfully, elder apprentice brother's condition was not stable.

According to Furnace, his Great Dao had just formed and was brittle. Yet it had undergone such a beating as if a hammer went over it multiple times. There was nothing good left and it would not be easy to completely recover.

Qin Yu found it strange. He went from nothing, to having half a Great Dao, to completing his Great Dao...people would be annoyed hearing this, but it was the truth. The entire process was smooth and quick. It finished before Qin Yu even realized.

Although 'rebuilding after a disaster' was slightly more difficult, it wouldn't be that different. Qin Yu suspected that Furnace was taking revenge and intentionally not doing its best.

Furnace could sense Qin Yu's thoughts and almost exploded from anger, "Can you have some common sense. Molding a Great Dao is something life-changing and something that goes against the heavens' will! Otherwise do you think that the one who created me would die and give such a treasure like me to you?"

"You are the master that I acknowledge and our auras are linked. So I am able to help you quickly form a Great Dao...but for others, if I were to do the same, it would be like pointing a middle finger to the heavens and challenging it! Do you believe me if I say the heavens would send a hundred lightning strikes to smash him to pieces?"

Qin Yu coughed lightly as he rubbed his nose. Although Furnace's attitude was bad, instinct told him that Furnace was telling the truth.

Looking at Thousand Faces, he said, "Seventh apprentice sister, don't worry. Elder apprentice brother's situation is stable now and there is no threat to his life. He will wake up soon."

Sleeping was a way for cultivators to protect themselves as it could repair their internal damages at a faster rate. It was extremely commendable for elder apprentice brother to be able to last till here before falling unconscious!

Thousand Faces relaxed slightly, "Thank you junior-apprentice brother." She turned back to look at elder apprentice brother who was asleep.

At this time, it was best not to disrupt him and leave quietly.

But Qin Yu hesitated slightly before saying, "Seventh apprentice sister, your condition..."

She was silent for a while before saying, "Thank you for your concern. I am fine."

Qin Yu frowned. He seemed to think of something as he did not say anything more and turned to leave.

He met with the disciples outside elder apprentice brother's residence and talked to them for a short while. Qin Yu asked Lei Xiaoyu to find a few reliable servants to take care of Peachy. Although she had stabilized, she was still very weak.

"Seniors, I will be heading back to rest. If there is anything that you need my help with, just send someone to call for me."

“Okay, junior-apprentice brother, please hurry and rest!”

After he returned to his residence, Qin Yu sealed the area, preventing anyone from sensing inside. He frowned, “Why did you stop me just now?”

Stone Pagoda spoke, “Thousand Faces is acting strangely. If you trigger her, there might be an accident.”

Qin Yu replied, “So what?”

Stone Pagoda replied, “Since it is not urgent, why don’t you observe for a while more. As long as she is in the Peach Garden, we can always help her.”

Qin Yu thought about it before nodding, “Okay!” He turned and sat. He thought for a while before turning to enter a cultivation chamber.

The courtyards of the Peach Garden’s disciples may have seemed simple, but they were not. For example, at elder apprentice brother’s residence, True Saints fought but it was not easily damaged.

That’s right, Qin Yu was preparing to isolate to cultivate. It was not that he was trying to do things at the last minute but it was because the power of the Inheritance Divine Ways was a lot stronger than he had imagined.

Sensing that a Ruler was on the verge of appearing, Qin Yu’s will to become more powerful was more urgent than before.

And cultivating the five Inheritance Divine Ways was undoubtedly the most effective and convenient method.

In a blink of an eye, three days passed. There was a knock on his door.

Woosh –

Qin Yu opened his eyes and they flashed. He stood up to open the door. Then he waved his sleeve and opened the door to his residence.

It was Lei Xiaoyu.

She looked slightly anxious and she rushed to speak as soon as she saw Qin Yu, “Brother Qin, second apprentice brother went into the wine cellar to isolate. Before elder apprentice brother fell unconscious, he told us to ask you to go and have a look if he did not come out in three days.”

Qin Yu frowned, “Okay, let’s go now.”

Outside the wine cellar, White Phoenix and Iron Mountain were standing there. Seeing Qin Yu appear, they rushed up to meet him, “Junior-apprentice brother, do you know what is happening?”

Qin Yu replied, “Seniors, please don’t worry. I will go in now to have a look.”

In front, he saw a medium-sized fake mountain. It seemed to have been cut by a heavy sword, causing a crack to appear in the middle of it. The black crack stretched all the way to the ground, and standing outside, they could smell a strong scent of wine. It was the peach blossom wine from the Peach Garden.

He nodded to the two of them and indicated for Lei Xiaoyu to wait outside. Qin Yu's body flashed as he entered the crack and disappeared into the darkness.

### **Chapter 1427 – The Art of Self-Decomposition**

From the outside, the wine cellar was pitch-black. But this was not the case.

There was a faint glow that appeared just seconds after entering the wine cellar. Even though it was faint, it was enough for Qin Yu to make out his surroundings.

However, it was as if there was a restricting energy in the wine cellar that trapped all light inside, not letting a single ray escape. This was why it looked pitch-black from the outside.

Qin Yu was alert and tried to sense what was around him. He could vaguely detect a cryptic energy, but when he tried to examine it further, he still could not really make sense of what it was.

He paused for a few moments before continuing forward. The smell of fragrant wine became more intense, and the sweetness of it became more alluring as he continued to inhale.

He walked downward, unable to find any traces of the tunnel having been carved by another being. From time to time, he did find some abandoned treasures near narrow pathways. It seemed that this wine cellar was a natural resource of the Peach Garden, and not something that was man-made.

Trudging ahead in the direction where the faint glow was coming from, he suddenly heard footsteps coming from ahead of him. Qin Yu raised his eyebrows and paused. It was second apprentice brother.

His face was shocked. "Junior-apprentice brother, why are you here?"

Qin Yu replied, "I heard that second apprentice brother had entered the wine cellar to cultivate, but you did not come out for three days, so I came to check on you."

Second apprentice brother nodded his head. "Thank you for your concern, but I'm fine. I'm actually planning to leave now..."

"I've been in the Peach Garden for so long, but this is my first time in the wine cellar. I haven't had the chance to try any peach blossom wine either, why doesn't second apprentice brother lead the way and get some wine for us to enjoy together?" asked Qin Yu.

Second apprentice brother smiled. "Sure, junior-apprentice brother, please follow me."

Then, he turned and led the way, while Qin Yu followed closely behind.

For a few moments, they were both lost in thought and neither of them spoke. Only the sound of their footsteps echoed through the underground passage. For some reason, the atmosphere suddenly became eerie and dark. Second apprentice brother was starting to get a strange feeling about Qin Yu, though he did not have a reason for it.

They turned into a bending path that was obviously man-made, and the wine fragrance was even stronger here.

Second apprentice brother stopped in his tracks and smiled at Qin Yu. "Junior-apprentice brother, we're here." He raised his hand to point at a water body, "That's peach blossom wine made from our own

peach blossoms. Thanks to the optimal conditions for fermentation in this underground wine cellar, we are able to brew such fine quality wine.”

In front of Qin Yu, the ground caved inwards and was much lower, forming a small water body that was filled with wine. It looked slightly sticky and viscous under the light of the faint glow. On the surface, there were reflections of light and soft ripples. The wine fragrance must have come from this place.

Qin Yu nodded in excitement. “As expected, this is good wine!”

Second apprentice brother laughed. “Actually, the wine cellar is split into two parts. What you are looking at now is the bigger winery which is located at the outer edges of the wine cellar. The wine made here is good, but it’s not the best.”

He pointed towards another direction in the wine cellar. “There is a crevice there. When you get past it, you will reach the smaller winery. It is about a third of the size of this winery, but the quality of the wine is much better. When Master was still around, we only drank wine from the smaller winery.”

The corner of Qin Yu’s lips turned up. “Oh? Since there is even better peach blossom wine, we have to try it.”

Second apprentice brother grinned and nodded. “I’ll bring junior-apprentice brother there.”

Like what second apprentice brother said, there was a crevice where the light was slightly dimmer than before. It was very narrow and only allowed one person to cross at a time. Second apprentice brother seemed to be very familiar with the place, and with a few shuffles, he got over to the other side quickly.

Qin Yu was slightly slower. When he touched the stone walls, he found that it was sticky and moist. When he lowered his head to take a closer look, he realized that the liquid on his hands was red.

“Junior-apprentice brother, are you coming?” Second apprentice brother’s voice rang out.

Qin Yu raised his arm to signal to him. “Give me a second.”

The path through the crevice was not very long, and it did not take long to cross it. However, it was very cold. When entering the crevice, there was an obvious drop in temperature, and the faint glow dimmed even more.

Like what second apprentice brother had said earlier, there was indeed a winery here. It was not as big as the other one, but the wine here was thicker, almost forming a paste.

Second apprentice brother smiled even wider when he saw that Qin Yu had crossed the crevice. “This is the smaller winery that produces the peak quality of peach blossom wine. Thanks to you, I’ll be able to enjoy some of it today too.”

“Thank you second apprentice brother for bringing me here.”

Then, silence filled the air. The two parties smiled at each other, neither saying a word. The tension in the air became stronger and stronger. Second apprentice brother coughed to break the silence, “Junior-apprentice brother, aren’t you going to go take some wine?”

Qin Yu smiled and shook his head. "This wine is so precious, just smelling it is good enough for me. I don't really like wine; it would be a waste for me to drink it."

Second apprentice brother advised him once more, "Since you're already here, you should try some."

Qin Yu continued to shake his head.

Silence once more.

Second apprentice brother turned to look at Qin Yu abruptly. "Why aren't you taking any wine yourself? Are you hoping that I would serve you personally?"

His smile disappeared, and blood started to drip from his eyes. He was so pale that he looked like a corpse that had been buried underground for many years.

Qin Yu grinned slyly, thinking that there was no point in carrying on with the act anymore. He was not as patient as he thought.

"Thank you second apprentice brother for your kindness, but I am really unworthy of drinking such fine quality wine."

The tone in second apprentice brother's voice became even colder. "Looks like you are really hoping for me to serve you some wine personally."

Then, blood started dripping from his nose and mouth. His pale skin started to decompose, revealing his red flesh underneath.

What was more strange was that the wine fragrance in the air became even more intense. Most importantly, the fragrance was giving Qin Yu a strong sense of temptation to just jump into the pool of wine.

Qin Yu held his breath, but realized that it did not suppress the temptation. It was as if these feelings were acting directly on his soul. He was unable to escape it even if he did not smell the fragrance.

Second apprentice brother's body started to rot entirely. When he opened his mouth, his gums were visible and he looked extremely horrifying. "Junior-apprentice brother, please, come here and enjoy some of this wine!"

Boom –

Boom –

Boom –

The wine in the small winery started to boil. The liquid gushed upwards and condensed to form numerous tentacles, rushing towards Qin Yu.

Qin Yu's eyes looked slightly sluggish, and he reacted slightly late.

Crack!

The wine tentacles wrapped around his arms and legs.

The tentacles' grip tightened, and the small winery was like a beast, pulling Qin Yu frantically. The ground underneath Qin Yu's feet ruptured, causing long ravines to appear. He could not prevent himself from being dragged towards the pool of wine.

He was struggling very hard, but from time to time, there was still a sluggish look in his eyes. He was completely unable to defend at all.

Ulcers started to form on second apprentice brother's body. His whole appearance looked different now. He was all raw flesh, with pus oozing out of his ulcers. His eyeballs were out of their sockets, looking straight at Qin Yu. The blood vessels on his body were filled with blood, almost like they were going to burst. With them interwoven across his body, he looked extremely terrifying.

Second apprentice brother laughed evilly. "Come on, junior-apprentice brother. The wine is really good, you will definitely like it."

Little by little, Qin Yu was pulled towards the pool of wine. 'Splash!' He fell right into it.

Second apprentice brother let out an ear-piercing guffaw, his voice sounding urgent. "I can finally eat again...I'm starving..."

He turned and walked into the small pool of wine. His flesh started to melt off his body and mix with the wine, and the fragrance began to intensify once more.

He lay down in the wine, and he completely dissolved in the pool as if he was made of mud.

From the outside it looked like a very small pool. However, it was extremely deep. Qin Yu descended very quickly due to the pull of the tentacles. Many moments had already passed, yet he had not reached the bottom.

A formless energy rushed towards Qin Yu and formed a cold, thick and sticky layer on the surface of his body. It wrapped around him tightly.

Qin Yu's vision became more blurry. If this continued, he would soon be surrounded by darkness thanks to the layer of membrane around him.

Qin Yu took a deep sigh. The sluggish look in his eyes disappeared. If he still could not find the real second apprentice brother, he would have no choice but to make his move.

Otherwise, if he continued acting, this show might indeed lead to a tragic ending.

Thankfully, his dilemma did not last very long. 'Dong!' He had finally reached the bottom of the pool.

Even though his vision was blurred, he could still make out some of his surroundings. Near him, he saw someone that was exactly like him – a person that was wrapped with a membrane, lifeless and unmoving.

From that person's figure, Qin Yu could confirm that it was indeed the real second apprentice brother.

He let out a sigh of relief internally, and the corners of his lips turned upwards, revealing a cold smile. Even though he did not know who it was that disguised themselves as second apprentice brother,

clearly that person was a glutton and ate anything and everything. That person was about to have an upset stomach.

Qin Yu's eyes glowed with vitality and with a flip of his palm, light rays were produced, forming a sword shadow.

Without resistance or struggle, he had allowed himself to be eaten by someone. Now that he was wielding a sword in his hand, about to retaliate...it was an unbeatable sense of satisfaction!

The pool of wine did not feel the same. Imagine someone pulling out a sword in your stomach. It would undoubtedly cause unimaginable pain. Furthermore, this sword had a huge killing power, thus it would definitely deal even more damage.

Bang!

The pool of wine experienced yet another explosion, expelling Qin Yu who had previously been swallowed.

Of course, Qin Yu did not forget to bring the real second apprentice brother with him, who had been submerged at the bottom of the pool.

Pop!

He landed near the shore of the pool. The membrane that was around him had already been torn to shreds thanks to the sword shadow, and he rapidly tore it off his body.

Just by feeling the membrane, Qin Yu could tell that using brute force to tear the membrane apart would not be enough. The sword shadow had already disappeared, making Qin Yu give up all ideas of borrowing its power once again.

Even though this sword had already acknowledged its master...hehe, or for better words, been forced to acknowledge its master, Qin Yu still had not gained complete control of it. If he teased it again, there was no guarantee that it wouldn't slice him in half from head to toe.

Oh well, safety first; let's leave second apprentice brother in the membrane for a little longer. Anyway, it looked like he had already spent quite some time in there, so what was another half an hour more?

The pool of wine was still bubbling and now, one could smell tinges of blood within the wine fragrance that was wafting in the air. As for that being that had disintegrated and mixed together with the pool of wine, it had now taken form again.

Without any eyelids, its eyeballs were protruding. It stared at Qin Yu, full of hatred and vengeance.

"Ah!" It cried out, and tentacles shot out from its body.

Qin Yu's face paled, and from the contorted expression on second apprentice brother's face, Qin Yu could tell that he had been through a lot of pain.

Whoosh –



The tentacles summoned by the being rushed towards Qin Yu once more. However, this time, it was obvious that it was not trying to get ahold of him to pull him into the pool of wine. It aimed directly towards Qin Yu's neck, wanting to strangle him to death and get rid of him once and for all!

But the self-decomposing being was fooled again. Qin Yu had already 'hidden' his soul in a separate 'space', thus he did not sustain any injuries at all.

His face paling was only part of an act. It was bait. Now that the fish had caught onto his bait... 'Pow!' Qin Yu had gotten a firm grip on the tentacles, a cold smile on his face.

He stomped his foot on the ground, causing his ankles to sink into the cracks. It looked as if he had become one with the earth.

"Come out!"

Qin Yu pulled fiercely and the tentacles instantly became taut like a bowstring. Being pulled at both ends, the tentacles became thinner and thinner, feeling as though they could snap at any point.

However, Qin Yu was not worried, because he knew the nature of the tentacles. They were formed from the wine in the pool, which meant that they shared a body with the pool, unless the other party decided to dismember itself.

If that was the case, then it would be an easier task for Qin Yu, because the other party would be sustaining two heavy injuries consecutively. Even if it hid back in the pool, Qin Yu would be able to subdue it.

As expected, this being in the pool did not do such a thing. It was aware of its plight, and got ready to let go and fight against Qin Yu with everything it had.

When the tentacles were pulled to their limits, suddenly, the pool of wine exploded, and like a dam that burst, the being rushed towards Qin Yu.

This being, who practiced the art of self-decomposition, opened its mouth and rushed towards Qin Yu, getting ready to tear him into pieces!

#### **Chapter 1428 – Stone Pagoda's Secret**

As a veteran angler, of course he would not let himself get bitten by the fish he baited. It would be too embarrassing.

Qin Yu did not move, staying rooted to the ground. Suddenly, he punched out.

The force of the punch caused the earth to suddenly rise before descending again.

Bang!

The being that rushed towards him seemed as if it had slammed into an invisible wall. All its teeth shattered like a fly that had been mercilessly slapped to death. Its body was also falling apart, and since its body was made out of fleshy paste, it melted back into the pool of wine.

This was not how it expected things to go. It let out a pained and angry roar that resonated throughout the small winery.

Qin Yu could also sense that it felt slightly aggrieved...this made Qin Yu let out a playful smile. If this being felt aggrieved, it must have gone through a rather tough time during its life.

What did the Spring Master do to this being...

Countless ideas formed in Qin Yu's head – stories about gratitude and hatred, even stories about love with lots of twists and turns.

He quickly realized that such thoughts were disrespectful to the Spring Master. Even if their relationship was transactional, it was still rude.

Then, there was yet another roar that caused the pool of wine to explode in all directions. Qin Yu's eyes were bright and full of admiration – this being was very powerful. In such a short time, it had managed to find a way to deal with him.

The roar was the same as before, but it seemed to realize that Qin Yu's soul had taken refuge in an alternate 'space'.

Qin Yu only had a light grasp on Soul Hiding, and was far from understanding it completely. It was not an easy task.

Given enough time, the being in the pool would be able to decode Qin Yu's Soul Hiding technique. Of course, Qin Yu was not going to let the being do that.

Qin Yu clenched his fist and reached out. 'Bang!' A loud rumbling sounded out, and the pool of wine splashed upwards. A pained cry could be heard once again.

This punch was different from the one just now. It was not an attack from the outside, but one from the inside. It was more terrifying, causing the being in the pool to be shocked.

It could not understand how Qin Yu had managed to take control of its tentacles, causing them to attack itself instead.

This being was terrifying precisely because attacks on its physical body would injure it, but these injuries would not be life-threatening. However, an attack on its soul was different. By shattering its soul, it would truly be killed, without any chance of restoring itself. Not long ago, it saw a glimpse of its glorious self after seizing second apprentice brother, Thousand Battles.

It had painstakingly endured hardship for many years, and finally obtained the chance to leave this place. How could it bear to just die like this?

No, there was no way it would let it happen!

Hong –

The pool of wine started to boil and it exploded once more. However, its target was not Qin Yu anymore, but that passage that led to the outside world.

Trying to escape without the necessary preparations meant that it would lose a lot of its power due to its weak state, even if it managed to succeed. But it could not care about anything else now. Dying while

trying to escape was a price that it was ready to pay. Furthermore, Qin Yu was not about to let it escape alive.

A being of unknown origins that most probably carried hatred towards the Peach Garden was better off dead. If he was merciful this once, this being might wreak havoc on the Peach Garden, and he did not want this to happen.

Of course, because this being was so terrifying and ugly, Qin Yu never once held a thought of showing it mercy.

Bang –

Another rumbling sounded, and the escaping being cried out in agony as it was ripped apart, causing raw flesh to land near the edge of the pool of wine. A face that was contorted in pain appeared on the surface of the pool. The being called out, and with a 'hu' sound, the raw flesh crawled back towards the pool.

The being's body was severed in half. It would either lose half its body, or come back to recombine both halves together.

Losing half of its body...even if it was savage enough to do something like this, it was not well-prepared, and would not live for very long if it successfully managed to escape.

"Who are you! Who exactly are you?!"

With a monstrous roar, the wine in the pool started to boil even more vigorously, forming large waves with strong currents.

It was unable to figure out how Qin Yu had managed to control its soul to self-inflict damage on its own body.

The true answer was through using two techniques at once – a mixture of Moon Embrace and Royal Attack. In simple terms, he used Moon Embrace to 'control' a part of the being's soul. It was only possible because while this Divine Way was used for soul refinement, there was a secret technique that allowed one to steal their target's soul to strengthen themselves.

Of course, such a secret technique came with a huge risk. Using it sparingly would not be a problem, as long as one spent some time to 'digest' the soul properly. However, using this technique often meant consuming many different souls, and it might lead to the heart and mind suffering from disorder.

Qin Yu did not use this secret technique out of a desire to strengthen himself, so after 'controlling' part of the being's soul, he changed to Royal Attack so that the being would self-inflict heavy injuries.

He had also used Star Retrieval prior to using Moon Embrace and Royal Attack. This Divine Way was a body refinement technique, and using it allowed Qin Yu to strengthen his physical body, so when he used Royal Attack, it was able to inflict the maximum damage.

Even though he had only learnt the techniques not long ago and was unable to get an in-depth understanding of them, he knew that using the five Divine Ways in combination had a terrifying destructive power.

Yet, again, all Divine Ways in the world had their own limits. Even if a Divine Way was exceedingly powerful, it would certainly have its weaknesses. It was possible that the stronger a Divine Way was, the bigger the flaws it would possess.

Qin Yu was still unclear what kind of flaws the five Divine Ways had, but he felt that he was able to subdue this being in the pool of wine only because it was already not in a good condition. It did not mean that he could defeat anyone with these five Divine Ways. It was impossible in reality.

Qin Yu's eyes were cold, not bothering to explain himself to this creature, even though he was also curious about whatever secrets this mysterious being held. However, since the Spring Master was unable to decipher its secrets for so many years, Qin Yu did not think that he would be able to accomplish it in a short period of time. Since this was the case, then he might as well just kill it. There was no point in delaying its death.

Qin Yu raised his arm and pulled fiercely again.

Bang!

The pool of wine erupted once more.

"Ah!" The being cried out, full of desperation and suffering. A face appeared on the surface of the pool again and stared at Qin Yu, "I am willing to become a servant and be suppressed here in the winery to continue producing peach blossom wine for the Peach Garden!"

Qin Yu shook his head. "Sorry, I was telling the truth just now when I said I do not like to drink wine. This deal is not very attractive to me."

The face warped and distorted, before crazily yelling, "Do not force me into a corner! Do not! I have no hatred towards you. It was the Peach Garden that captured me, suppressed me, and locked me down here in the winery. They used my flesh to brew their wine, which helps their cultivation and physical aptitude! Don't I have the right to swallow one apprentice? Furthermore, he's not even dead. If you let me go, I will release him and I promise never to harm anyone from the Peach Garden ever again!"

The Spring Master had indeed crossed the line. This being did seem very pitiful...

Qin Yu thought for a while before he sighed and shook his head again. "The more you speak, the less I trust you. If what you said is true, then the hatred that you have towards the Peach Garden must be huge, and I can't turn a blind eye to that. I won't always be in the Peach Garden, so it would be best if I could destroy everything that harms this place. You can die in peace now."

"Ah!"

Hong –

The pool of wine bubbled fiercely, and suddenly, a whirlpool formed. The whole underground space started to tremble. 'Ka-cha! Ka-cha!' Cracks started to form on the outer edges of the pool.

A frantic and crazed energy filled with killing intent rushed out, causing the wine in the pool to shoot upwards along with it. The whirlpool sucked the wine into it and from within, a twisting silhouette condensed and formed.

It had rotting red flesh, and obviously, it was the being that had been suppressed and held captive in this place by the Spring Master to brew wine.

It was releasing a terrifying aura, as if it was a wraith that had come from the depths of hell that was bent on destroying everything and bringing death to every land.

It was flipping out!

Qin Yu grabbed second apprentice brother and took a few steps backwards.

A thunderous roar sounded. "Where do you think you're going? You're going to die here with me!"

All it got in return was the back of Qin Yu's head as he rushed towards the crevice without any hesitation.

The being in the pool of wine lifted its arm, causing a wave of cold and dark energy to fall upon Qin Yu and second apprentice brother.

At this time, a buzzing sound rang out. The illusion of Stone Pagoda suddenly appeared, trapping the being within, with Qin Yu and second apprentice brother on the outside.

Bang –

A low rumbling could be heard, and Stone Pagoda's illusion shook softly. He laughed coldly, "Little rascal, you're truly quite powerful. However, things like vengeful wraiths are honestly not any threat at all."

Whoosh –

Qin Yu walked into the crevice with second apprentice brother beside him, turning back to say, "Be careful, don't cause the entire wine cellar to collapse."

Stone Pagoda smiled slightly. "Do not worry, Master, since I've taken action, I know what I'm doing." When saying this, he felt warmth, a slight sense of longing, and apprehension.

However, he thought for a while before pushing down all feelings of hesitation. Since he had already decided to trust Qin Yu, he decided that he should not hide anything from him.

Furthermore, this secret was one that he had to face sooner or later.

Qin Yu could tell that Stone Pagoda was having some complicated feelings, as if he was thinking of something heavy. However, he did not say much. Instead, he merely nodded and said, "I'll leave it to you."

Within Stone Pagoda's illusion, the being from the pool of wine was going crazy. It wanted Qin Yu and second apprentice brother to die together with it, yet it was stopped midway, causing it to be extremely mad.

It howled and brought down a torrent of blows onto Stone Pagoda's illusion, causing many ripples to spread in every direction.

However, like Stone Pagoda said previously, things like vengeful wraiths were of no threat to him at all. Truly, it did not look like he had been injured at all.

“Mm, vengeful wraiths that have reached this level of anger are the yummiest.” With an evil laugh, Stone Pagoda made his move.

Qin Yu could only see tentacles coming out from Stone Pagoda, and as quick as an arrow, they pierced through the being’s body. Its body instantly curled up, and the wrathful expression on its face was replaced by one of agony.

Then, loud sounds of swallowing could be heard...this move was indeed a quick and decisive one!

Qin Yu suddenly felt a coldness shoot up his spine, and the hair on his neck stood up on end. He thought back to the time when he was ‘awakened’ by Stone Pagoda. Did it look something like this too?

Hiss –

Just thinking about it made his blood run cold!

The vengeful wraith contorted in pain, and it exploded with a power that it had not displayed before. With a berserk energy, it summoned huge waves that had the power of a tsunami and continuously attacked the inner parts of Stone Pagoda.

However, no matter how much Stone Pagoda’s illusion shook from the force, there was no indication that something was going to break out of it. He did not stop swallowing and digesting the vengeful wraith.

As time went on, the resistance from the vengeful wraith became weaker. It had curled up even more now, like a fish on a chopping board. Stone Pagoda’s illusion started to solidify, becoming tangible. Qin Yu could feel that he had become even more powerful in this short span of time.

His swallowing power was indeed outstanding; why didn’t Stone Pagoda exhibit this power earlier on? Could it be that it could only be performed on vengeful wraiths?

Hmm, that couldn’t be. Qin Yu had seen it for himself before – Stone Pagoda swallowed a living being just as well.

Suddenly, realization dawned on Qin Yu’s face. He looked at Stone Pagoda, and thought about how he was almost all-powerful and all-knowing...even though Stone Pagoda had used research from when he was sealed and trapped as an excuse, today Qin Yu realized that perhaps there was a better explanation.

For example...the more Stone Pagoda ate, the more he knew!

### **Chapter 1429 – Dusk Order**

It was today that Qin Yu realized Stone Pagoda was finally being completely open with him.

He coughed lightly as he hid the strange look in his eyes. There were some things that they understood mutually and there was no need to say everything.

So at this point Qin Yu just thanked him for his hard work internally and pretended not to see or guess anything.

Stone Pagoda was thankful for this. Although he had been mentally prepared to completely expose himself in front of Qin Yu, he was not willing to remember or face the things that happened back then.

Piak –

Piak –

Soft sounds could be heard. The layers of mucus surrounding second apprentice brother cracked and disappeared along with the wraith.

Stone Pagoda said, “Master, if there is nothing else, I will return first.”

After seeing Qin Yu nod, Stone Pagoda’s illusion disappeared with a soft buzz.

Groaning, second apprentice brother opened his eyes and light flickered in them. A strong and explosive aura burst out.

But very soon, he realized what was happening around him. He looked at Qin Yu before frowning, “Junior-apprentice brother?”

After he found out what happened, second apprentice brother looked grateful as he put his hands together, “I really have to thank you for your help. Without it, the consequences would have been disastrous.”

Qin Yu looked at him and saw that he looked dull, but there was a light shining in his eyes. He sensed that there was something different in second apprentice brother’s aura and smiled gently, “It seems like you managed to get something out of it.”

Second apprentice brother did not hide as he sighed lightly and nodded, “Technically speaking, the origins of the thing in the wine pool have something to do with me. Through this, I managed to recall some forgotten memories. I will most likely be able to break through my current realm.”

“Congratulations, second apprentice brother!”

Thousand Battles shook his head and laughed bitterly, “If you did not help me, I would have died...” He took a deep breath and put his hands together respectfully, “I will remember this and in the future, if you need anything, my life is yours.”

He was resolute and sincere!

Qin Yu smiled but did not say anything. There was something he was right about – he knew he could not stay in the Peach Garden forever and had a feeling that he would soon leave this place...perhaps this had something to do with what that woman asked.

Ultimately, he could help the Peach Garden for now, but could not do so forever. The best outcome was for everyone to become stronger themselves.

“Let’s go out. White Phoenix, Iron Mountain, and Xiaoyu are waiting outside. They must be anxious.”

When the two of them stepped out, they saw that White Phoenix and Iron Mountain were fine and were merely frowning with a serious look. However, Lei Xiaoyu was extremely anxious like an ant on a hot pan, and was pacing around furiously.

“Brother Qin!” Seeing them come out, her eyes lit up and she quickly walked over.

White Phoenix and Iron Mountain breathed a sigh of relief. However, very soon, a slight hesitancy could be seen in White Phoenix’s eyes.

“Cough! Junior-apprentice brother, since you came out fine, please give me back what I handed to you.” White Phoenix smiled and extended his hand.

Qin Yu was slightly startled but reacted quickly. It seemed like White Phoenix knew some secret regarding the wine cellar.

He smiled and replied, “Third apprentice brother, you did not pass anything to me. You all can rest assured. I have really returned with second apprentice brother.”

Lei Xiaoyu then came to a realization. She seemed to think of something scary as her eyes widened.

White Phoenix truly breathed a sigh of relief before greeting apologetically, “Please don’t blame me, I am just being cautious. It is good that nothing happened.” He paused before continuing, “Because I didn’t really know exactly what was going on in the wine cellar, I did not say much before to prevent you from making biased decisions. Please do not blame me.”

Qin Yu waved his hand, showing that he did not blame him.

Second apprentice brother looked slightly awkward as he took a deep breath and spoke in a low voice, “I got tricked by the one in the wine cellar. Thankfully, junior-apprentice brother saved me. If not, I would not be here.”

He put it simply but what he said was enough to stun everyone. Everyone’s expressions shifted at that moment.

Qin Yu thought that second apprentice brother was very straightforward; he nodded at everyone else, “There was some danger, but after going through this, I believe that second apprentice brother will be able to break through soon and the Peach Garden will have another Saint.”

This was good news. Especially after going through this calamity, every Saint was like an additional shield to the Peach Garden disciples.

“Congratulations, second apprentice brother!” White Phoenix, Iron Mountain, and Lei Xiaoyu were filled with delight.

Thousand Battles could not help himself as he smiled. He seemed to have thought of something as he looked at Qin Yu, “I almost forgot, how is Peachy?”

Qin Yu replied, “She is stable.” His gaze then fell on Lei Xiaoyu as he had entrusted the rest of the things to her.

Lei Xiaoyu replied, “Fourth apprentice sister is doing well. She is a bit unfriendly and has not talked to anyone.” This description was considered mild. Peachy was not only unfriendly, she was like a block of ice and filled anyone who visited her with a chill.



Qin Yu could sense that she was hiding something and frowned subtly, "Come with me to have a look later."

Thousand Battles nodded, "With you around, I can rest assured. I will soon be isolating for a while to try and break through."

He was the first to leave. With White Phoenix managing the Peach Garden now, he was extremely busy. He left hurriedly with Iron Mountain.

Watching them leave, Qin Yu looked at Lei Xiaoyu, "Tell me the truth."

Lei Xiaoyu chuckled bitterly, "Brother Qin, even if you did not ask, I would have wanted to go with you. There is something really off about Peachy."

Hearing her tell the story in detail, Qin Yu frowned harder. But internally he could not help but sigh in relief.

Because although Peachy was not completely fine, she was not suicidal.

Very soon, Qin Yu realized that his way of thinking was very cruel. However, he could not lie to himself as he chuckled bitterly. Suppressing his thoughts, he said, "Let's go and have a look."

After three days, Qin Yu went to look for Peachy once again. Seeing her brush her gaze over him, it was as Lei Xiaoyu had said, as if he had been cut by an icy knife. It was painful yet a bone-chilling feeling emerged.

However, her attitude towards Qin Yu was still different from others. She was silent for a while before she nodded, "Junior-apprentice brother, you are here."

Qin Yu greeted, "I heard that you are recovering well and came over to have a look."

Peachy replied, "I am fine."

Suddenly, Qin Yu found himself lost for words. Honestly, he would consider himself someone who spoke well.

As he was thinking of what to say that would not trigger Peachy, she suddenly said, "Junior-apprentice brother, don't worry. Since I have accepted the treatment, I will not give up on my life that easily."

She paused before continuing, "I am tired and want to rest. Please see yourself out."

She had made her intentions known. Qin Yu laughed bitterly internally and put his hands together as he turned to leave.

Lei Xiaoyu followed behind him. She looked at him and then turned to gaze at Peachy's residence. There was a complicated look in her eyes.

Qin Yu turned and knocked her forehead, he growled, "What nonsense are you thinking? How Peachy is now has nothing to do with..." He suddenly stopped halfway. He could not lie to himself.

He waved his sleeve and turned to walk away. Gritting his teeth, he said, "Anyway, it is not what you think it is!"

Lei Xiaoyu chased after him, "Brother Qin, next time, I will tell you everything that is related to Peachy."

This...was she trying to say that he should take responsibility? What a waste of his breath earlier!

Qin Yu resisted turning around and knocking her head once more. His face fell as he quickened his steps.

Getting rid of Lei Xiaoyu, he returned to his residence. He rubbed his forehead as a sullen smile appeared on his face.

Peachy's problem was really a problem. Although she was no longer suicidal, she could not always stay in this state where she did not look forward to anything.

But Qin Yu did not have any good ideas for the time being. He could only push these thoughts away and think about it when the opportunity arose.

He could not solve it now so he would think about it later. Qin Yu breathed deeply to regulate his emotions. He turned and walked into the cultivation chamber.

Practising was the only way to test...simply put, after the explosive wine cellar and the miserable vengeful wraith, Qin Yu knew that the five Divine Ways were extremely powerful.

Disregarding the hidden danger that the Ruler's avatar mentioned, even if it really existed, Qin Yu could not be bothered about it. Now, his first goal was to become stronger.

Firstly, it was because of the huge change in the Vast Brightness World. The Ruler's appearance may very well be the cause of this.

Secondly, after successfully killing Zhou Saint and Lin Saint, he also managed to frighten away the Sovereign of the Vanquished Nation and the black-robed True Saint. He seemed extremely powerful and was enough to frighten everyone else and stabilize the Peach Garden's position.

But no matter what, the animosity was already there and this was an undeniable truth.

Would Zhou Saint and Lin Saint's backers really just give up? Not to mention the power that the black-robed True Saint represented?

Of course, if they acknowledged their fear, it would be for the best. Qin Yu was not a masochist and did not expect that he would have been able to defeat them all with a single strike.

But he had to admit that if things were as he thought, there must be someone behind them. Someone as strong as a Ruler who overlooked the Vast Brightness World. So he could forget about them just giving up out of fear.

This also meant that they would definitely seek revenge. Moreover, after they prepared, they would be confident in dealing with Qin Yu.

The enemy is hidden while I am exposed. Moreover, I am a live target that cannot run or hide. This feeling is atrocious!

So now, Qin Yu was filled with thoughts of getting stronger, and these feelings were getting more and more intense.

Isolating and studying the five Inheritance Divine Ways was just a pretense. Only getting stronger would be his best bet.

And the truth was that Qin Yu was not overthinking. Just as he rushed to isolate, the revenge plan had started.

And the one doing all this was the power that the black-robed True Saint represented. They had a very high quality and superior-sounding name – the Dusk Order!

### **Chapter 1430 – Revenge Underway**

Light filled the entire hall and sparkled on every glazed roof tile. It illuminated all twelve chairs.

The twelve Divine Seats of the Dusk Order that were hidden from the world were all here in the Vast Brightness World.

The black-robed True Saint who had been scared off by Qin Yu in the Vanquished Nation was one of the twelve. He was in the hall.

At this moment, he was silent and his face looked solemn. There was anger and frustration in his eyes.

The twelve Divine Seats were arranged in a completely round ring and there were no hierarchies. Across from the black-robed True Saint, a sinister voice resounded, “What happened in the Vanquished Nation? Seventh Divine Seat, you actually retreated and caused the Dusk Order to be exposed for the first time and the ending was still a loss.”

He had been named.

A sinister and low voice could be heard from under the black robe, “The ninth disciple of the Peach Garden, Qin Yu, is hiding a big secret. Although I did not exchange blows with him, I could feel the threat of death...if I did not retreat, I may have died!”

The entire hall was silent. After a few moments, another Divine Seat spoke slowly, “Seventh Divine Seat, when you made a move you held an extremely valuable treasure bestowed by His Honour. Unless someone of that level descended, who else would be able to resist? So I cannot accept your explanation.”

This was a more measured way of speaking. If it were to be said more directly, it would be – you must be hiding something!

Seventh Divine Seat twitched as he felt anger surge in him. However, he was not an immature fool who could not control his anger. He sneered and said lowly, “If you do not believe me, you can try it personally. Once you try, you will know if I am lying.”

This was obviously the most direct and effective method. The entire hall was silent once more. It was like they were choked by his words.

Qin Yu alone was able to kill Zhou Saint and Lin Saint. Although the Divine Seats were stronger, without the gift from His Honour, it was not certain that they would be able to resist either. So even though he said it was to test the truth of it, it was more like travelling thousands of miles to die.

Just as everyone was getting annoyed and wondering if they should join together to teach Seventh Divine Seat a lesson, a ball of light suddenly appeared in the air in the middle of the ring. Initially, it was just a dot. But in a blink of an eye it was as big as a human head. The surface changed slightly and a face seemed to appear.

Everyone was stunned as they quickly stood up and bowed, "Greetings Your Honour!"

Within the Dusk Order, there was only one existence that was held above the twelve Divine Seats. He could not be called directly by his name nor his realm. He would only be addressed as 'Honour'. This showed how respectable this position was.

Within the glow, the blurry face spoke, "The information collected is to blame for this matter, it is not Seventh Divine Seat's fault."

"Yes, Your Honour."

Everyone spoke respectfully. Since His Honour was personally explaining, it meant that Seventh Divine Seat was not lying and they could believe this.

But even so, things would not end here. Zhou and Lin Saint were killed on the spot and Seventh Divine Seat fled without fighting. This was a huge blow to the reputation of the Dusk Order.

To the Divine Seats of the Dusk Order, who had ambitions to rebuild themselves in the Vast Brightness, this was difficult to accept.

"Your Honour, we represent the order. We failed so badly in the Peach Garden and this may cause others to look down on us."

"Please help us find a way to turn things around. The longer we wait, the greater the impact."

Everyone started to speak and from their words and expressions, it was obvious they were worried.

Within the ball of light, the mouth of the face opened, "I know everything you are saying. Qin Yu from the Peach Garden will die and the Peach Garden will perish with him. Everything will then return back to normal."

All twelve Divine Seats stood up and bowed, "Your Honour is the mightiest!"

They did not doubt what they said.

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Just as sneers appeared on the faces of the twelve Divine Seats, something else was happening far away.

In the open wilderness, winter had arrived and all the grass and vegetation had shrivelled.

In this yellow open space, there was a small temple. On the surface, it seemed as if it had not been renovated for years. There were bumps and cracks everywhere and it emitted a desolate and decaying aura.

One of the main doors of the temple was spoiled and the other half was just hanging from the hinges. Looking through the crack, one would be able to see two clay dolls on the offering table.

It was obvious that time had caused the two dolls to look mottled and their expressions were no longer clear. There was only a faint outline of their past imposing stature.

All of a sudden, a strong wind blew through the temple and caused the dust in it to fly up. The two clay dolls seemed to open their eyes at the same time.

The left clay doll's mouth seemed to move and a soft sound could be heard. It was a very very soft sound. Even if one was really close, one would need to strain to hear clearly.

It was as if this clay doll was guarding against something and did not want that something to detect its movements.

"We have made some progress with regards to the person you are all looking for."

The right clay doll seemed to be less bothered and its voice turned up by a few notches. The emotions in its voice could be more clearly felt. There was hatred and viciousness.

"Who is it? Tell me!"

The left clay doll replied, "We can't confirm it now, but through this person, you will most likely be able to find out the truth."

"Tell me!"

The left clay doll's voice suddenly became a lot softer and one struggled to make out the words "...sword sect." before it fell silent.

Hooo –

Wind blew past once more and both clay dolls shut their eyes and fell silent as if nothing had happened and everything had been just a dream.

But now, the feeling the clay dolls gave off was a strong decaying feel that was more intense than before. It was as if they were facing an invisible backlash of something that was descending.

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The catastrophe in the Vast Brightness was over!

The ninth disciple of the Peach Garden, Qin Yu, had returned. He had brutally killed Zhou and Lin Saint in the Vanquished Nation. This was something that everyone in the Vast Brightness World knew.

Along with the Nether Saint, the number of peak True Saints that had died because of him was now three.

In an instant. Qin Yu was famous and it was like he surpassed regular True Saints and was now the most powerful one below the Ruler.

But to those who knew more, the rumors describing Qin Yu were not all that accurate.

For example, the Dragon Saint from the East Sea!

Three True Saints? Hehe, all of you people are too gullible. Qin Yu's real deeds are not within your imagination.

After getting his treasure stolen by this Peach Garden disciple using underhanded means, how could the Dragon Saint not be angry? Of course he was!

But why did the Dragon Saint not join in to attack the Peach Garden, much less bother to take a stance? Was it because he was magnanimous and forgiving? Tsk!

Or was he afraid, despite the fact that the Spring Master died? The Peach Garden still had Qin Yu. This brat was adequately evil. In the Dragon Saint's view, he was even scarier than the Spring Master.

With him around, the Peach Garden would not fall. Whoever tried first would be extremely unlucky.

Things proved that the Dragon Saint was right. Zhou and Lin Saint, who had died on the spot, were the best evidence.

With the falling of these True Saints, everyone was in shock. On the other hand, some miniscule changes would easily escape the attention.

For example, the change in the Transcendent Sword Sect!

Although they had existed for a long time and were not considered weak, they were still just at the level of Half-Saints. Hence, not much attention was placed on them.

It was to the point that no one knew what exactly happened, but they guessed that the Transcendent Sword Sect had angered a strong enemy and was destroyed in a day.

The person who managed to destroy the sword sect with a Half-Saint must be a True Saint.

This made those who wanted to help Transcendent Sword Sect turn away and suppress their thoughts immediately.

The world was chaotic and everyone was in danger. To be a good person, they would need to subject themselves to risk. The horror that a True Saint brought was enough to scare away the majority, especially those without strong relationships.

After all, not everyone was like Qin Yu and could kill True Saints like cutting vegetables. Now, the power and might of True Saints might be shaken, but their power was still lofty and frightening.

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Qin Yu stopped his isolation once more. This time, it was because of Thousand Faces.

Stone Pagoda had been monitoring her aura and today, he could no longer just sit back.

Without alerting anyone, Qin Yu secretly came out and appeared outside seventh apprentice sister's residence.

Elder apprentice brother was still recovering and no one knew when he would wake up. Everyone in the Peach Garden, including White Phoenix, were all practicing hard to try and improve as fast as possible.

So no one noticed that Qin Yu was doing something. He looked at the residence with its closed doors and after thinking, he went up and knocked.

No one replied but Qin Yu knew that seventh apprentice sister was inside. So he patiently continued to knock.

Finally, a slightly impatient voice could be heard, "Who is it?"

Qin Yu's eyes flashed, "Seventh apprentice sister, I am Qin Yu."

There was a pause before Thousand Faces' voice could be heard, "Oh, junior-apprentice brother, it is not a convenient time. Please return."

Qin Yu shook his head, "I am here to help you and my attitude to helping others is very determined. If you don't open the door, I will barge in."

Another pause. Thousand Faces spoke slowly, "If that is the case then please enter."

The door opened and Qin Yu stepped in. Thousand Faces was sitting on the peach wood that was related to her aura.

Now, peach blossoms were blooming and their faint fragrant smell filled everyone's noses.

She wore an unfamiliar yet pretty face as she frowned, "Now you have seen me. If there is nothing else, please leave!"

Qin Yu sat and smiled, "People from far away are guests and so am I. Please give me some tea."

Thousand Faces frowned and stared at Qin Yu, "I advise you to leave now."

Qin Yu tapped his fingers on the table, "I won't leave unless I drink some tea."

Thousand Faces gritted her teeth. She took a deep breath before standing to leave. Very soon, she came back and handed a cup of tea to Qin Yu, "Hurry, drink it and leave!"

"Thank you." Qin Yu smiled as he smelled the tea and praised, "This is good tea! Senior sister, you have such good things; why don't you give me some. After all, wine is bad for your body but tea can be drunk as much as desired."

Thousand Faces stared at Qin Yu. She was frowning and her body was stiff, as if she was holding back.

"Junior-apprentice brother, you really should leave. You don't have to drag yourself into trouble." She paused before saying slowly, "I admit that there are some problems but it is not urgent. I am confident in handling it."

Qin Yu drank a sip of tea, "Fine, since you say so, I will not interfere." He lifted the cup of tea, "I will keep my word – once I finish this cup of tea, I will leave."

Thousand Faces' face softened as she sat across from him, "Okay."

The residence fell silent and only the sound of Qin Yu drinking could be heard. His actions were relaxed and he drank at a moderate pace.

The tea was soon about to be finished, but across from him, Thousand Faces' face was now pale and beads of sweat could be seen across her forehead.

It was obvious she was in pain but her charming look actually intensified.

On the contrary, the depths of her eyes became more and more bleak as if some kind of will was slowly being awakened within her and eating away at her conscience.

"It is time for you to leave!" She gritted her teeth and her body was trembling.

Qin Yu raised his brows, "I am not done with my tea."

Thousand Faces snorted and in front of Qin Yu, she suddenly changed her face. It was as charming as before. However, with the face change, her entire persona seemed to change as well.

Woosh woosh –

Above them, the peach blossom tree seemed to shake even though there was no wind, and petals began to fall.

"Qin Yu right? I am very curious, how did you detect me?" The Thousand Faces in front of him laughed lightly as she stared at Qin Yu. His reflection was clear in her eyes as if her eyes were mirrors.

At this moment, a horrifying aura covered Qin Yu. He laughed bitterly thinking that things were going to become messy.

Stone Pagoda made a mistake!

This being was a lot stronger than he had thought. He could not use his plan to get rid of it directly anymore. And if he was not careful, the entire the Peach Garden would be in danger...since when did this world become so dangerous? How could one live like this!

Thousand Faces was looking at him. Although she was not doing anything, Qin Yu felt as if there was an axe aimed at him. It was like if there was a slight mistake, he would be cut into multiple pieces!

Sss –

This feeling was horrible!

But now that things had reached this point, there was no turning back. Moreover, it was not as if Qin Yu was not able to fight back.

That axe and that woman...sigh, at the critical moment, he could not rely on his own abilities. This was extremely tragic.

Qin Yu's tough heart was once again getting triggered. If he wanted to live his days in peace, he had to increase the intensity of his cultivation.

Suppressing his emotions, Qin Yu greeted, "Mysterious power, you came from far away. I am here today to strike a deal with you."

Thousand Faces' mouth curled up, "You want to save her?"



Qin Yu did not deny but said directly, "I will give you sufficient rewards."

Thousand Faces knocked the table and said coldly, "Strictly speaking, she is now my prey. You are trying to take away my prey and this is very rude."

The knocking stopped and her voice turned colder, "I need more rewards in order to suppress the anger I am feeling. Perhaps then I will consider your ridiculous request."