

SOVEREIGN 1481

### **Chapter 1481: Duan Ling Tian's Strange Inscription Art**

Duan Ling Tian finally understood why Bai Li Hong asked him not to aim at the wild beast's vital parts. It was because Bai Li Hong knew he would be able to kill the wild beast even without attacking its vital parts.

Both the Explosive Flame Saint Inscription or Corrosion Saint Inscription were Bai Li Hong's work. It was only natural he was familiar with their power.

"Although the Explosive Flame Saint Inscription and Corrosion Saint Inscription are Three Star Saint Inscriptions with great power, you can only use them on Early Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses at the most due to your True Energy and cultivation base at the Perfection Mortal Shedding Stage," Bai Li Hong told Duan Ling Tian.

Saint Inscriptions needed to be activated via True Energy. Only powerful True Energy would be able to unleash the full force of Saint Inscriptions. Otherwise, it would only activate a portion of the Saint Inscription's power.

It would work very well if a One Star Saint Inscription was used to fight someone with the same cultivation base. However, it was almost impossible to defeat an opponent who was at a level higher.

Two Star Saint Inscriptions, on the other hand, could defeat opponents at a higher level. However, the opponent's ability would ultimately determine if one would be able to defeat one's opponent.

For instance, now that Duan Ling Tian was at the Perfection Mortal Shedding Stage, even without the Strange Pupil and Saint Inscriptions, no Martial Cultivators and Dao Cultivators at the Mastery Mortal Shedding Stage could fight on even ground with him even if they used Two Star Saint Inscriptions.

He did not need the Strange Pupil or Saint Inscriptions to defeat those at a higher level.

However, Three-Star Saint Inscriptions allowed one to fight opponents who were two levels higher.

If someone at the Perfection Mortal Shedding Stage activated a Three-Star Saint Inscription with their True Energy, he would be able to fight with Early Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses on even ground.

One would have to break through to the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage if one wanted to use a Three-Star Saint Inscription effectively on Intermediate Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses.

Saint Inscriptions depended on one's True Energy level.

The higher the True Energy level, the more powerful it was.

Naturally, it still had a limit no matter how powerful it was. At that time, it would depend on the grade of the Saint Inscriptions.

If it was a Two Star Saint Inscription, it would only be able to threaten someone at the Imminent Saint Stage. It would not be able to harm Saint Stage powerhouses. Only Three-Star Inscriptions would be able to threaten Saint Stage powerhouses.

However, to fight on even ground with Saint Stage powerhouses with the help of Three-Star Inscriptions, one would have to be at the Perfection Saint Rudiment Stage.

The Perfection Saint Rudiment Stage was two levels away from the Saint Stage.

Imminent Saint Stage was the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage. It was called the Imminent Saint Stage because it was close to the Saint Stage.

The gap between the Saint Stage and non-Saint Stage was even bigger than the gap between the Mortal Shedding Stage and the Innate Stage.

'I can only use the Three-Star Saint Inscriptions effectively if I use it on Early Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses,' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself as he raised his eyebrow, 'It seems like I must elevate my cultivation base faster... Currently, I'm very close to breaking through to the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage. As soon as I break through to the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage, I'm confident I'll be able to defeat those at the Intermediate Saint Rudiment Stage!'

Naturally, he meant he could defeat those at the Intermediate Saint Rudiment Stage without using the Strange Pupil.

Duan Ling Tian did not dare to think about those at the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage. Those at the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage would have already mastered the True Energy Consolidated Weapon technique. Even if he were to use Strange Pupil, he might only be able to distract them for a second at the cost of draining all his Spiritual Energy. He might not be able to defeat the person during that one second. The True Energy Consolidated Weapon technique would definitely be able to block his attack.

'There's really a great divide between the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage and the Intermediate Saint Rudiment Stage.' Duan Ling Tian knew that very well.

"Thank you, Senior Brother," Duan Ling Tian thanked Bai Li Hong as he put away the Sun Shooting Bow. He could tell that Bai Li Hong poured his heart into inscribing the two Three-Star Saint Inscriptions judging by how well they worked together with the Penetration Saint Inscription!

"We're brothers. I don't think it's necessary to thank each other." Bai Li Hong smiled and shook his head. Subsequently, he asked eagerly, "Junior Brother, how much progress did you make with the Strange Inscription Art in the past ten days?"

"I should be able to inscribe Saint Inscriptions with the Strange Inscription Art now," Duan Ling Tian said with a smile.

Bai Li Hong was dumbstruck when he heard that.

He had only handed over the jade token containing the Strange Inscription Art recoding to Duan Ling Tian ten days ago. After ten days, Duan Ling Tian actually said he could inscribe Saint Inscriptions with it?

How could he not be shocked by that?

“Junior Brother, let’s go! Let’s head back!” An invisible force swept out when Bai Li Hong lifted his arm. The force covered Duan Ling Tian within it and brought him along as they rushed back to the Moon Illumination Sect. They headed back to the inner court and back to Bai Li Hong’s mansion.

He was eager to see Duan Ling Tian’s Strange Inscription Art technique.

Up until now, he did not manage to master the Strange Inscription Art at all.

Meanwhile, this junior brother that he had accepted on behalf of his teacher had mastered the Strange Inscription Art within ten days.

There was a quiet room in Bai Li Hong’s mansion that was exclusively used for inscribing Saint Inscriptions. One should not be disturbed when inscribing Saint Inscriptions. Otherwise, all effort would go to waste.

Duan Ling Tian and Bai Li Hong were the only two people in the quiet room at the moment.

There was a stone table with a sword lying on top of it in a quiet room. It was clearly a Saint Weapon. Meanwhile, there was a vessel containing an unknown liquid next to the sword. The unknown liquid was dark yellow, and it would occasionally boil and bubble.

“Junior Brother, would you really be able to inscribe the Drifting Light Saint Inscription with Inscription Ink that’s made with such little materials?” Bai Li Hong asked in disbelief as he glanced at the dark yellow liquid in the vessel.

The Drifting Light Saint Inscription was a One Star Saint Inscription.

Bai Li Hong knew the Saint inscription very well since it was a very common One Star Saint Inscription. He practiced it many times when he had just become a One Star Saint Inscription Master.

He knew the materials required to inscribe the Saint Inscription like the back of his hand. No materials should be excluded when inscribing Saint Inscriptions.

Meanwhile, his junior brother, Duan Ling Tian, was going to inscribe the Drifting Light Saint Inscription, but the materials he was going to use were half, or even more than half, of the regular amount. The cost of the material was reduced close to two-thirds of the original cost.

Although he knew one of the main points of the Strange Inscription Art was how cost-saving it was, he still found the fact that it required so little materials mind-boggling.

“Senior Brother, just watch.” Duan Ling Tian smiled lightly, and his voice was filled with confidence.

In the next second, he extended his right hand and held Bai Li Hong’s Nine Star Inscription Pen. He extended his left hand after taking a deep breath and picked up the sword on the table.

It was his first time using the Strange Inscription Art to inscribe Saint Inscription.

Naturally, he had run through the scenario in his head countless times during the past ten days so he was familiar with the steps. Therefore, he would just have to repeat the steps.

As Duan Ling Tian shook his right hand that was holding the Nine Star Inscription Pen, the Nine Star Inscription Pen seemed to have turned into a bolt of lightning and shot straight at the Inscription Ink.

The Inscription Ink was the general name for liquid refined from materials required to inscribe Saint Inscriptions.

The Nine Star Inscription Pen that moved with lightning-speed dipped into the Inscription Ink with its sharp tip like a dragonfly skimming the surface of the water. It dripped onto the sword in Duan Ling Tian's left hand. Suddenly, a mark appeared on the body of the sword.

As Duan Ling Tian moved his right hand rapidly, complicated patterns appeared on the sword's body while a drop of Inscription Ink flowed according to the patterns. It seemed like water flowing in a stream, everything seemed natural.

Duan Ling Tian's movement was as smooth as flowing water.

Meanwhile, Bai Li Hong who was watching from the side was dumbstruck as soon as it began.

Duan Ling Tian's speed when inscribing the Saint Inscription was even faster than him. 'Is this the Strange Inscription Art? I wonder how much Spiritual Energy he needs to perform at such a rapid speed? Junior Brother's really the right one to learn the Strange Inscription Art!'

Bai Li Hong's heart jolted lightly. His emotions were stirred.

'It's so fast!'

'It's too fast!'

Looking at Duan Ling Tian's movement, those two thoughts were the only thing left in Bai Li Hong's mind.

'So this is the difference between the Saint Inscription Dao and the Strange Inscription Art?' Bai Li Hong's emotion was complicated when he finally regained his senses.

"It's done." When Bai Li Hong's mind was about to wander again, Duan Ling Tian straightened his back and stopped his movement. "Senior Brother, check the effect of this Drifting Light Saint Inscription, and see if the effect is weakened or not."

"It's done?" Bai Li Hong's jaw dropped when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words.

One must know that even the current him would need at least half an hour to inscribe the Drifting Light Saint Inscription. However, his junior brother only used less than fifteen minutes. It was less than half the time he spent on the inscription.

He was a Three-Star Saint Inscription Master!

As he took a deep breath and suppressed his shock, Bai Li Hong took the sword Duan Ling Tian handed him. The expression in his eyes became complicated after he tested the One Star Saint Inscription, the Drifting Light Saint Inscription.

“The effect is not weakened,” Bai Li Hong said with a sigh after he caught his breath, “The Strange Inscription Art is really an amazing technique! Unfortunately, I’m afraid I have no fate with it due to my Spiritual Energy application.”

The application of Spiritual Energy depended on one’s talent in Spiritual Energy. Bai Li Hong was clearly lacking in this aspect. It was not just him, most Saint Inscription Masters would not be able to do it.

Duan Ling Tian was relieved when he heard Bai Li Hong’s words. Although he had gone through the steps of the Strange Inscription Art in his head countless times, this was his first time putting it to practice. This was why it was difficult for him to not have doubts even though he was confident.

“Senior Brother, your Inscription Pen,” Duan Ling Tian called out when Bai Li Hong was softly caressing the Drifting Light Saint Inscription on the sword in his hand.

Duan Ling Tian handed the Inscription Pen to him. However, Bai Li Hong did not take it even though he lifted his head up to look at it.

His eyes gleamed as he clenched his teeth. It seemed as though he had made a major decision.

“Junior Brother, you can have this Nine Star Inscription Pen... I’ll buy myself another one when I head to Han River City,” Bai Li Hong said as he looked at Duan Ling Tian. A hint of reluctance flashed in the depth of his eyes. “Since you’ve inherited teacher’s Strange Inscription Art, it’s only right that you have this Inscription Pen.”

“Senior Brother, if it’s not for you, I wouldn’t have been able to learn teacher’s Strange Inscription Art... This Nine Star Inscription Pen is your fortune... I don’t deserve to be your junior brother if I actually take away what you love.” Duan Ling Tian shook his head persistently.

#### **Chapter 1482: Liu Huan’s Whereabouts**

Duan Ling Tian wanted the Inscription Pen in his hand very much. However, he had his own principles.

Who would not want a Nine Star Inscription Pen?

However, as the saying went, ‘No gentleman should take away somebody else’s love.’ He could tell Bai Li Hong did not want part with the Inscription Pen judging from his hesitation earlier. Therefore, it made sense that Duan Ling Tian should not accept the Inscription Pen. Otherwise, it would be too selfish of him.

When Bai Li Hong saw Duan Ling Tian was unwilling to take the Inscription Pen no matter what, the only thing he could do was take it back. After taking it back, he said with determination, “Junior Brother, I know you’re unwilling to take the thing I love away from me... I’ll take the pen back temporarily, but you must agree to one condition.”

“Do tell, Senior Brother,” Duan Ling Tian said.

“When you become a Three-Star Saint Inscription Master, you must accept this Inscription Pen. Otherwise, you’ll have to take the pen now...”

Indeed, Bai Li Hong was unwilling to part with the Inscription Pen in his hand. It was only human that he felt that way. There were not many Nine Star Inscription Pens even on the Dao Martial Saint Land. Moreover, he had been using it for so long. It was only natural for him to feel unwilling to let it go. However, he knew he could not be selfish.

The Inscription Pen was left behind by the teacher he had never met. Although he was the owner now, his teacher had always wanted to find an heir to inherit his Strange Inscription Art, and Duan Ling Tian happened to be the heir.

He believed if his teacher was here, he would definitely give the Inscription Pen to Duan Ling Tian.

“Sure.” Duan Ling Tian agreed immediately when he saw Bai Li Hong behaving as though he would not give up if he did not agree to his request.

However, to him, the future was uncertain. Perhaps, he would no longer be in the Moon Illumination Sect when he became a Three-Star Saint Inscription Master.

Duan Ling Tian bid farewell to Bai Li Hong after chatting with him for a little while. He was ready to head back to the outer court.

During the journey, Duan Ling Tian noticed that everyone he met was staring at his face as though there was something on his face.

‘Man dreads fame just like how a pig dreads fat,’ Duan Ling Tian mocked himself inwardly.

He came to a stop when he arrived at the Merit Pavilion, and he mumbled softly, “There’s nothing in particular that I want to trade for now in the Merit Pavilion... I’ll just trade for Dao Talismans, just in case, with the remaining Merit Points.”

Eventually, Duan Ling Tian kept 100,000 Merit Points from the portion that he kept for Ling Yun for himself and traded a Dao Talisman with the remaining Merit Points.

In his opinion, Dao Talisman was something that could save lives.

He decided to save 100,000 Merit Points just in case. What if the inner court disciple had more materials at the first level of the Merit Pavilion that could restore the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda?

At that time, who could he look for when he did not have Merit Points?

Duan Ling Tian began to look around on the first level of the Merit Pavilion after purchasing the Dao Talisman.

However, Elder Huo, upon Duan Ling Tian’s request, who was observing what was happening outside did not see any materials that could restore the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda while Duan Ling Tian walked around.

‘Seems like I’m out of luck,’ Duan Ling Tian mocked himself inwardly. He left the Merit Pavilion as a group of inner court disciples stared at him.

'I heard from Senior Brother that they sell Inscription Pens at Han River City? Han River City is the biggest city in the Nine Sect Alliances. Its headquarter is there as well... I think it's time for me to pay a visit there,' Duan Ling Tian thought as he journeyed back to the outer court.

After all, he did need an Inscription Pen now.

'Apart from the Inscription Pen, I can also look for materials to restore the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda in Han River City... We're close to finishing the restoration of the third level. Once it's restored, my cultivation speed would be boosted even further.' Duan Ling Tian firmly decided to find time to visit Han River City as he thought to this point.

He could not use the Celestial Supreme Treasure in the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda, but the cultivation environment in there was important to him. Five days in there was equivalent to a day outside.

'I must head back to Half Moon Island in eight months time to be with the two ladies when they give birth... My ability will definitely skyrocket after eight months if we manage to restore the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda! At that time, my ability to protect myself during the journey back would be even higher.' Duan Ling Tian became motivated as he thought about Ke'er and Li Fei.

'I'll bring them to the Dao Martial Saint Land when I find my parents... At that time, I'll give them a lavish wedding!' Duan Ling Tian smiled joyfully as he thought about his two fiancées.

He had yet to give them the status they deserved. Naturally, it was not because he did not want to. He could not do it because his parents were not around.

Both of the ladies' parents had passed away so it did not matter. However, his parents were still around. It was only natural for his parents to be present when they finally get married.

'Perhaps my two children would be able to speak by the time I find my parents... At that time, I'm sure they'll be elated to find out they've become grandparents...' Duan Ling Tian could not stop smiling.

The outer court disciples who saw Duan Ling Tian smiling to himself were surprised when they saw that.

Why was Senior Brother Duan so happy?

Did Elder Bai Li give him something good again?

When they thought about this, a hint of envy appeared in their eyes. However, they knew there was nothing they could do about Duan Ling Tian's great luck.

Duan Ling Tian would always be someone they admired.

"Xiong Hu, I supposed those people with Liu Huan didn't come looking for trouble lately?" Duan Ling Tian asked when he saw Xiong Hu.

"Senior Brother Duan, currently, who doesn't know you're Elder Bai Li's junior brother? That Liu Huan must've been shocked by the news of Elder Bai Li declaring you as his junior brother. How would he dare to come looking for trouble with us?" Xiong Hu smirked. "Oh, yes, I haven't congratulated Senior Brother Duan yet."

Duan Ling Tian did not comment on Xiong Hu's optimism. He did not believe Liu Huan would give up looking for trouble with him just because of Bai Li Hong.

At this moment, Liu Huan had to be plotting in secret since he could not act openly. This was not something that was advantageous to him.

Naturally, he did not regret consenting to Bai Li Hong announcing their relationship. At least Xiong Hu and Ling Yun were safe now.

Liu Huan definitely would not dare to openly look for trouble with them.

'But Senior Brother's overbearing... He confronted Liu Huan as soon as they met.' Duan Ling Tian could not help but feel surprised when Bai Li Hong mentioned he had confronted Liu Huan. He could not tell he had this protective side to him. He had implied that Liu Huan would definitely die if he dares to do anything to Duan Ling Tian!

There was a rule in the Moon Illumination Sect that prohibited killing in the sect, but who was Bai Li Hong?

Even the powerhouses in the sect did not dare to boast in the presence of Bai Li Hong.

Whether he had a good reason or not, nobody would dare to do anything even if Bai Li Hong really did kill someone in the sect.

Bai Li Hong's existence in the Moon Illumination Sect was special.

Throughout the years, the other seven seventh-rate sects in the Nine Sect Alliances that did not have any Three-Star Saint Inscription Masters did not stop secretly sending people to persuade Bai Li Hong to join their sect... The few Saint Stage powerhouses in the Moon Illumination Sect were very well aware of that.

Bai Li Hong had rejected the offers from the seven sects in the past because he enjoyed his time in the Moon Illumination Sect.

If he was unsatisfied with the sect, there was no saying if he would still reject the offers proposed by the other seven sects.

A Three-Star Saint Inscription Master was too important in a seventh-rate sect such as the Moon Illumination Sect. He was undoubtedly a pillar of support to them.

"Xiong Hu, I'll transfer Ling Yun's Merit Points to you. Please transfer it to him when you return... I'm afraid I won't be able to see you for a long time after this," Duan Ling Tian said to Xiong Hu as he handed over his Crystal Card.

"Senior Brother Duan, are you going into closed-door cultivation?" Xiong Hu asked.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded. However, he did not reveal his plans of leaving the Moon Illumination Sect to visit Han River City to Xiong Hu.

He did not plan to tell anyone, including Bai Li Hong.

He knew very well that he had offended many people ever since he came to the Moon Illumination Sect even though it had been less than four months since his arrival.

If words were to get out that he was leaving, would they not come after him outside of Moon Illumination Sect to kill him?

With all said, Duan Ling Tian did not plan to leave immediately.

'I'll head over to Han River City after I break through to the Mastery Mortal Shedding Stage,' Duan Ling Tian decided inwardly.

However, what he did not know was Inner Court Elder Liu Huan had arrived at Han River City when he entered the second level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda for closed-door cultivation.

Even his direct disciple Zhou Qi would not recognize Liu Huan who had arrived at Han River City if he was still alive. This was because he had disguised himself.

After entering the bustling Han River City, Liu Huan's trail had disappeared after he passed through a few remote alleys.

He only showed himself again in the middle of the night.

There was hardly anyone in the west of Han River City this late at night.

There was a mansion on a remote land on the west side of Han River City's city wall. The mansion seemed very ordinary. It was so ordinary that it would not attract any attention at all.

Almost no one exited or entered the mansion during the day.

However, there were many specter-like silhouettes entering the mansion when it was late at night.

Liu Huan arrived outside of the mansion and entered with a gleam in his eyes.

After he passed by many specter-like silhouettes, Liu Huan entered a dark room with a door that was wide open.

"I would like to buy a person's life!" Liu Huan said in a deep and hoarse voice.

### **Chapter 1483: Mantis Catching A Cicada**

Duan Ling Tian had imagined countless times about what would happen when he broke through to the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage. He had wondered how many Saint Veins he would be able to open and whether he would be able to open all 99 Saint Veins.

However, he was calm when he finally broke through to the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage.

'Saint Veins...' Duan Ling Tian looked into his body to observe his Saint Veins.

Now that he had broken through to the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage, it would mean that the Saint Veins in his body were opened. He became a little solemn when he thought there would not be any new opened Saint Veins after this.

This was because he did not count his Saint Veins earlier when he broke through to the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage... If he did, he would not be as anxious as he was now.

The heaviness in his heart disappeared when he counted the number of Saint Veins in his body.

“Nine... Ninety-nine! What... what...” Duan Ling Tian was over the moon when he counted the Saint Veins in his body.

This was something he had hoped for. He had thought about it many times even in his dreams. Now that it had come true, he felt as though a burden had been lifted off him.

Duan Ling Tian knew what 99 Saint Veins meant. This meant the number of Saint Veins had reached its limit.

Even the Great Sage, Equal of Heaven, Sun Wu Kong, from the ancient myth in his past life, who was once imprisoned under Five Fingers Mountain could not compare to him in regards to Saint Veins.

‘Let’s count again.’ After his excitement calmed down, Duan Ling Tian began counting again. He felt surreal. ‘I’m right! There are 99 of them! I should count again...’

After counting many times, Duan Ling Tian was finally certain he had opened 99 Saint Veins.

“Elder Huo!” Duan Ling Tian took a deep breath and suppressed his excitement before he looked for Elder Huo.

Elder Huo was momentarily stunned when he heard Duan Ling Tian had opened 99 Saint Veins. He even felt a little uncertain. It was something that he rarely felt. “Are you sure you’ve opened 99 Saint Veins?”

It was Duan Ling Tian’s first time seeing Elder Huo at a loss ever since they met.

At this moment, he was secretly proud of himself.

“Elder Huo, do you want to take a look at them yourself?” Duan Ling Tian asked with a smile.

Elder Huo did not hesitate as he placed his hand on Duan Ling Tian’s hand at lightning speed. He withdrew his hand before Duan Ling Tian managed to react and muttered, “There are really 99 Saint Veins... Are you really human?”

Eventually, Elder Huo looked at Duan Ling Tian as though he was looking at a monster.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian’s attention was not on Elder Huo’s expression. He felt as though an electric current was flowing through his entire body the second Elder Huo placed his hand on his earlier. The current faded and he regained his senses when Elder Huo withdrew his hand.

Elder Huo’s ability stunned Duan Ling Tian once again.

‘Unfortunately, Elder Huo can’t leave the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda now and fight anyone outside the pagoda... Otherwise, he would definitely be an immense help to me!’ Duan Ling Tian thought it was a pity.

Since he opened all 99 Saint Veins, his hearing ability, his eyesight, and sense of smell were elevated to a ridiculous height.

Duan Ling Tian was confident that he was the king at the Mortal Shedding Stage even without using any Saint Inscriptions and Saint Weapons since he had opened 99 Saint Veins.

The kind of boost 99 Saint Veins granted him was not a joke!

'I should have enough strength to defend myself with my current ability... It's time to leave Moon Illumination Sect and explore what's out there,' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

In the middle of the night, Duan Ling Tian left his own compound quietly. He left the outer court and left the Moon Illumination Sect's estate.

Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian unleashed his power after leaving the Moon Illumination Sect's estate and dashed far away at lightning speed.

The direction he was heading toward was where Han River City was located.

It had been a month since he planned to go to Han River City. Duan Ling Tian had finally broken through to the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage after a month and left the Moon Illumination Sect.

He did not tell anyone anything from the beginning until the end. He did everything discreetly.

Although he was being discreet, someone still managed to locate Duan Ling Tian's whereabouts. That person was none other than Outer Court Elder Huang Cheng.

"The chance is finally here after a long wait... Duan Ling Tian left in the middle of the night without anyone following him, I supposed even Elder Bai Li doesn't know about this." Huang Cheng grinned as he stood at the side of the Moon Illumination Sect's monastery gate. He followed in Duan Ling Tian's direction as swift as a wind.

Huang Cheng had mastered a Secret Tactic that could hide his presence. Even though Duan Ling Tian was the most powerful Weapons Specialist on earth in his past life, and his anti-tracking ability was amazing, he did not notice Huang Cheng following him as he continued on his journey.

He only realized something was amiss when he heard the rapid sound of wind whistling behind him, causing his expression to change drastically.

As his expression changed, he saw a flash as the silhouette of a person appeared before him. That person was no stranger to him.

"Huang Cheng!" Duan Ling Tian's face turned solemn when he saw the person before him. He did not expect to be targeted since he had been careful to be discreet about his departure.

Huang Cheng was one of the people he had offended in the Moon Illumination Sect.

"Duan Ling Tian." Huang Cheng smiled excitedly when he saw Duan Ling Tian's expression had turned solemn. "I've been waiting for two months for you to leave alone... That old fellow, Bai Li Hong, was with you the last time you left so I couldn't do anything to you."

“You’ll definitely die this time!” As soon as Huang Cheng was done speaking, two waves of True Energy rose above his head. One of them turned into a gigantic saber while the other turned into a giant beast that looked like a leopard or tiger.

Whoosh

The gigantic saber charged out and appeared on the left of Duan Ling Tian in just a blink of an eye. It hovered in midair as it emitted a ferocious aura.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

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The gigantic beast stepped forward, causing the air to tremble and explosive noise in its wake.

The gigantic beast appeared on Duan Ling Tian’s right in just an instant. It stared at Duan Ling Tian fiercely as though it would pounce at him and swallow him whole at any given moment.

“True Energy Consolidated Weapon and True Energy Consolidated Beast,” Duan Ling Tian muttered softly as his face turned solemn when he saw that.

“Not bad, you’re able to recognize my True Energy Consolidated Weapon and True Energy Consolidated Beast technique.” Huang Cheng scoffed coldly. “But from today onward, you, the genius whose Martial Dao talent is recognized as No.1 in the outer court, is fated to turn into dirt in the Dao Martial Saint Land... Perhaps, not many people would remember you after a year.”

“Huang Cheng, I don’t recall any enmity between us.” Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes and asked in his deep voice, “Our bet seems to be the only conflict between us... I didn’t point a knife at you to place the bet, it was you who insisted on doing that. It’s your problem that you lost! What has that got to do with me?”

“It’s meaningless for you to say these words now,” Huang Cheng said calmly, “From today onward, you, Duan Ling Tian, will vanish from this world completely... Nobody will find out that I’m the one who killed you. If there’s an afterlife, remember this. There are people that you can’t afford to offend.”

“Will you be willing to let me go if I return you that 300,000 over Merit Points?” Duan Ling Tian asked coldly.

“Hahaha...” Strangely, Huang Cheng laughed out loud when he heard Duan Ling Tian’s words. He looked at him as though he was looking at a monster. “Duan Ling Tian, you’re too naive! If I kill you, your Crystal Card will be mine. Doesn’t that mean I’ll own all your Merit Points then?”

“Also, since you became Elder Bai Li’s junior brother, you should have a Saint Weapon with Three-Star Saint Inscription that he inscribed for you? Let me guess... The Saint Weapon with Three-Star Saint Inscription that you have should have at least another two Star Saint Inscriptions on it?” The way Huang Cheng looked at Duan Ling Tian did not look like he was looking at a person at all. Instead, he looked like he was looking at a precious treasure.

Duan Ling Tian’s expression was cold when he looked at Huang Cheng.

In fact, his words to Huang Cheng earlier was just a test.

He did not possess 300,000 over Merit Points since a while ago.

He was only left with 100,000 Merit Points in his Crystal Card now for back up.

“Huang Cheng, you’ve gotten it wrong,” Duan Ling Tian said calmly.

“I’ve gotten it wrong?” Huang Cheng smirked. “Duan Ling Tian, what kind of trick are you trying to pull now? Do you think you’ll have a chance of surviving today?”

“What kind of tricks can I pull?” Duan Ling Tian said, “I just want to tell you the Saint Weapon I possess isn’t just inscribed with two Three-Star Saint Inscriptions but three... The thing is, would you dare to use it even if you manage to obtain it?” Duan Ling Tian mocked.

Huang Cheng’s eyes shone with greed when Duan Ling Tian revealed the Saint Weapon was inscribed with three Three-Star Saint Inscriptions.

He smiled disdainfully when he heard Duan Ling Tian’s words. “Do you think I have to stay in the Moon Illumination Sect after I kill you and take the Saint Weapon inscribed with three Three-Star Saint Inscriptions from you?”

“It’ll be easy for me to cover things up while I stay in the Moon Illumination Sect temporarily... I’ll leave eventually.” A Saint Weapon with three Three-Star Saint Inscriptions was sufficient for him to decide to leave the Moon Illumination Sect. Huang Cheng had made up his mind.

“It seems like you, Huang Cheng, has been plotting for quite some time. You’ve even figured out how to get out of this,” Duan Ling Tian looked into Huang Cheng’s eyes and said calmly, “But do you really think you’ll be able to kill me today?”

#### **Chapter 1484: The Panic-Stricken Huang Cheng**

A talisman appeared in Duan Ling Tian’s hand as soon as he finished speaking.

“This Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman’s speed is on par with the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage... Do you, Huang Cheng, really think you can attack me since I have this Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman?” Duan Ling Tian looked at Huang Cheng as he smiled confidently.

However, Huang Cheng was not as surprised as Duan Ling Tian had expected him to be when faced with the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman.

At this moment, an ominous feeling rose in Duan Ling Tian’s heart as it jolted.

“Appear!” Although he did not know why he had that feeling, he did not hesitate as he shouted to activate the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman in his hand.

Suddenly, the Three-Star Strider Talisman disappeared as mysterious energy entered Duan Ling Tian’s body.

Duan Ling Tian moved suddenly and disappeared before Huang Cheng.

Although the gigantic saber and giant beast that Huang Cheng had consolidated with his True Energy were blocking Duan Ling Tian's way, they did not hinder Duan Ling Tian when he left. This was because Huang Cheng whose cultivation base was only at the Perfection Saint Rudiment Stage did not manage to react in time.

The speed of someone at the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage was not something to be trifled with!

However, Huang Cheng did not show a panicked expression on his face even though Duan Ling Tian had disappeared. Instead, he lifted his arm at lightning speed as a talisman appeared in his hand as well.

"Appear!" As Huang Cheng shouted, he vanished from his spot as soon as the talisman disappeared.

Naturally, he did not really vanish. His speed was so quick that it seemed as though he had vanished.

"Duan Ling Tian, do you think you're the only one with a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman?" When Duan Ling Tian slowed down after dashing far away, Huang Cheng caught up to him quickly and appeared not far behind him.

Duan Ling Tian's expression changed drastically when he heard the voice coming from behind him.

'Huang Cheng has a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman too!' That was the first thought that appeared in his mind. At this moment, he did not have the time to figure out how Huang Cheng could afford the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman. An outer court elder's fortune was limited after all.

However, Duan Ling Tian did not know that many inner court elders in the Moon Illumination Sect gave out Merit Points loans. Huang Cheng found an inner court elder and borrowed 200,000 Merit Points. Combined with the Merit Points he owned, he spent everything he had to purchase a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman.

Duan Ling Tian was the reason he did that. To be exact, he did that for the great fortune Duan Ling Tian possessed.

Huang Cheng saw Duan Ling Tian using the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman when he was fighting He Zhong previously. He also knew He Zhong had returned Duan Ling Tian a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman.

Since he knew Duan Ling Tian had a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman with him, he went all out to take a loan just to purchase a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman. All of that was just for this very moment so he could kill Duan Ling Tian in one blow and take his fortune.

He believed it was a lucrative business!

Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian accelerated in panic after finding out Huang Cheng had a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman too. At this very moment, he slightly regretted that he had slowed down a little earlier. He had slowed down because he thought he had escaped Huang Cheng's sight. It did not occur to him that Huang Cheng would have a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman too! Moreover, he even managed to catch up to him!

Just when Duan Ling Tian accelerated his speed again to the limit, Huang Cheng had already caught up to him.

“Duan Ling Tian, I’ve already told you that you must disappear from this world forever from today onward... I’ll send you off on your last journey!” Huang Cheng smirked as two waves of True Energy appeared above his head. The True Energy Consolidated Weapon and True Energy Consolidated Beast techniques appeared once again.

Whoosh!

The gigantic saber was like a stretch of silk as it swung in the air. It was ferociously aimed at Duan Ling Tian as though it was going to cut him into half.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

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The gigantic beast descended from the air and opened its massive mouth as it charged at Duan Ling Tian.

“Appear!” Duan Ling Tian said in his low voice as his face turned solemn when he saw Huang Cheng attacking.

At the same time, the talisman he held in his hand earlier had disappeared.

“Hmm?” When Huang Cheng heard Duan Ling Tian’s words, he frowned. He saw a layer of golden energy on Duan Ling Tian’s body. It was as though a golden eggshell had covered Duan Ling Tian.

Meanwhile, the True Energy Consolidated Weapon and True Energy Consolidated Beast smashed against the golden eggshell and faded away.

The golden eggshell, on the other hand, was completely intact.

“Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman!” When Huang Cheng saw that, his expression turned grave. He did not expect Duan Ling Tian to own a Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman.

“Duan Ling Tian, it seems like you’re afraid of death... Not only do you have a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman, but you also have a Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman!” Huang Cheng condemned him with a mocking expression on his face.

“Afraid of death?” Duan Ling Tian smirked when he heard Huang Cheng’s words. “I guess that means you’re not afraid of death? Don’t you want to kill me? I’m right here!”

A layer of defense would form on one’s body as soon as the Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman was activated.

The defense capability was on par with a Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse’s defense.

Similar to the Three-Star Divine Strider Talismans, it would last for 15 minutes.

Huang Cheng who was a Perfection Saint Rudiment Stage martial artist would not be able to break a Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage defense at all.

“Duan Ling Tian, stop being so smug!” Huang Cheng’s face turned even more solemn, “When this Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman’s effect disappears after 15 minutes, you’ll be a fish on my chopping board, and I’ll be able to do anything I want to you! Your Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman is going to lose its effect before that as well.”

“We’ll see.” Duan Ling Tian glanced at Huang Cheng calmly and subsequently slowed down. He eventually stopped moving altogether.

Meanwhile, Huang Cheng followed suit and stopped where Duan Ling Tian was.

Naturally, he knew what Duan Ling Tian was thinking. Duan Ling Tian must have thought since he could not escape him, it would be futile for him to use the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman. He stopped since the result would be the same in the end.

One must say that Huang Cheng’s heart was bleeding at this moment.

The Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman that he spent 300,000 Merit Points on was gone after just a short while.

However, he immediately dismissed it when he recalled the massive fortune that Duan Ling Tian possessed.

In his opinion, as soon as Duan Ling Tian died, the millions of Merit Points Duan Ling Tian owned would belong to him.

At that time, would he not be able to purchase Three-Star Divine Strider Talismans whenever he wanted?

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian stood at his spot as he looked at Huang Cheng calmly while the golden eggshell surrounded him.

Huang Cheng was staring at Duan Ling Tian too. He was waiting for the moment the Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman on Duan Ling Tian’s body to lose its effect... At that time, he would be able to unleash his power. He could not wait to kill Duan Ling Tian in a blow.

It was an odd picture. Duan Ling Tian and Huang Cheng stood motionlessly without attacking as they stared at each other.

Time passed by quietly. It was approaching 15 minutes since Duan Ling Tian had activated the Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman.

Duan Ling Tian’s Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman lost its effect first. Subsequently, the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman on Huang Cheng lost its effect as well.

“Huang Cheng, I suppose the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman on you has lost its effect?” Duan Ling Tian suddenly asked, breaking the silence.

“So what if it has lost its effect? My Three-Star Divine Strider losing its effect means the Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman on you is going to wear off soon... The moment your Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman wears off will be the moment you die!” Huang Cheng said with a grin.

“Huang Cheng, I’m very curious... Where did you get so many Merit Points to purchase the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman? Since you lost over 300,000 Merit Points to me previously, you shouldn’t have enough Merit Points to purchase a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman.” Duan Ling Tian asked.

Huang Cheng only responded with a low scoff to Duan Ling Tian’s question. Naturally, it was impossible for him to tell the truth. How could he say that he had gotten a loan from an inner court elder? Moreover, he was charged 100,000 Merit Points of interest each month for every 200,000 Merit Points that he borrowed.

“I suppose you don’t have a second Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman with you?” Duan Ling Tian asked as he narrowed his eyes.

“Why? Do you have one?” Huang Cheng asked instinctively when he heard Duan Ling Tian’s words.

“Huang Cheng, I, Duan Ling Tian, will remember what you did today.” Duan Ling Tian looked deep into Huang Cheng’s eyes and took out another Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman. He shouted, “Appear,” again when the golden eggshell was fading away on his body.

Suddenly, Duan Ling Tian disappeared before Huang Cheng once again.

“Sh\*t!” Huang Cheng’s expression changed drastically. “How’s it possible that he has another Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman! Why is he so afraid of death that he has so many Three-Star Divine Strider Talismans with him!”

At this moment, Huang Cheng felt like he was going to go insane.

He did not expect Duan Ling Tian to have another Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman.

How could he catch up to him now?

Although he could determine the direction Duan Ling Tian left in during a split second, he had no idea if Duan Ling Tian had changed direction. He was not even certain he could catch up to him even if he did not change direction.

The reason he managed to catch up to Duan Ling Tian earlier was due to his Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman. He managed to catch up to Duan Ling Tian earlier before he managed to change direction.

“It’s impossible for me to return to Moon Illumination Sect if I don’t kill Duan Ling Tian... That Duan Ling Tian might return to the Moon Illumination Sect now to look for Bai Li Hong. With Bai Li Hong’s status in the Moon Illumination Sect, he can take my life if he wants to!”

Huang Cheng took a deep breath as his face turned pale. “Maybe it’s good to leave... At least I don’t have to return the loan I got from that inner court elder!”

Huang Cheng knew very well that he was only left with one choice and that was to leave the Moon Illumination Sect.

It would mean death for him if he returned to the Moon Illumination Sect!

Bai Li Hong had a good reason to kill him. Even if he did not, nobody would say anything even if he killed him.

The special status Bai Li Hong was given in the Moon Illumination Sect gave him power that was different from ordinary inner court elders.

Put aside the fact that Huang Cheng was merely an outer court elder, even if he was an inner court elder, he would still die if he looked for trouble with Bai Li Hong!

### **Chapter 1485: The Oriole Behind**

“Duan Ling Tian, don’t let me see you again... Otherwise, I, Huang Cheng, will put you through hell!” Huang Cheng clenched his teeth from the resentment he felt when thinking about the culprit who forced his departure from the Moon Illumination Sect. He almost cracked his teeth from clenching them so hard.

In his opinion, everything was Duan Ling Tian’s fault!

If Duan Ling Tian returned him the Merit Points he had lost previously, he would not have resented him and things would not have escalated to this state today.

However, he did not think that it was his own greed that caused him to bet with Duan Ling Tian.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian who had left, far away from Huang Cheng, flew at full speed for 15 minutes. He only stopped flying when the effect of Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman had worn off.

“It’s fortunate I had a second Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman with me. Otherwise, I would definitely die today!” Duan Ling Tian muttered under his breath.

His heart beat fast when he recalled what had happened earlier.

“You’ll definitely die today even if you have a third Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman with you!” A hoarse voice that seemed like it came from all directions entered Duan Ling Tian’s ears. His expression changed, and he shouted, “Who is it?!”

At the same time, a silhouette covered in a black robe appeared like a specter not far away from Duan Ling Tian.

The person whose entire body was covered in a black robe that only showed a pair of cold eyes stared at Duan Ling Tian. “It’s not important who I am. All you have to know is that I’m here to take your life... No wonder you’re so valuable, you have so many trump cards with you,” the man muttered to himself.

Based on the black-robed man’s words, it was obvious that he had witnessed the conflict between him and Huang Cheng earlier.

It was just like the saying, ‘The mantis stalks the cicada, unaware of the oriole behind!’

This person was clearly the oriole.

“You’re an assassin?” Duan Ling Tian heard the black-robed man’s words, and his expression changed.

“You’re smart. Unfortunately, there are many people who are smarter than you, and they still died in my hands.” The black-robed man grinned.

“Boy, you can only blame your terrible luck... Eh? So you really do have another Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman? Is that a Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman as well? It seems like you have an extraordinary number of trump cards.”

Duan Ling Tian took out another Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman and Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman. The black-robed man saw these as soon as he took them out.

“Boy, don’t tell me you’re treating me like that piece of trash Huang Cheng?” The black-robed man smirked. “Do you think these Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman and Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman are going to help you escape under my watch? I’ll show you how naive and ridiculous your thoughts are!”

Almost as soon as the black-robed man finished speaking, the black robe on his body began to flutter violently like dark clouds above a city.

At the same time, three majestic and rumbling waves of True Energy swept out from his body. One turned into a gigantic scythe, the other turned into a skinny Wild Beast, and the last one swept out in all directions.

The last wave of True Energy swept out in a hundred-meter radius around the black-robed man, covering Duan Ling Tian in it as well.

There were waves of faint green energy that appeared at the edges of the land that was in the hundred-meter radius.

“True Energy Consolidated Territory!” Duan Ling Tian’s expression changed drastically when he saw that. “You... You’re a Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse!”

He thought the black-robed man managed to catch up to him earlier by using a Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman. He finally realized the man was a Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse!

If True Energy Consolidated Weapon was the symbol of the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage and True Energy Consolidated Beast was the symbol of the Perfection Saint Rudiment Stage, then True Energy Consolidated Territory was the symbol of the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage!

The True Energy Consolidated Territory would form a territory in a hundred-meter radius.

Every Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses had different territories.

Some Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses’ territories were Gravitational Territory. As soon as it was activated, the gravity within the radius of a hundred-meter in would quickly intensify to a ridiculous scale.

Naturally, the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses who controlled the territory would not be affected.

Some Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses' territories had the Wind Territory. The entire territory would be wrought with the wind as soon as it was activated.

The wind within the territory could be controlled by the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse and turned into wind blades to attack. It could turn into a strong wind that swept in all directions that would affect the opponent since it was hard to deal with.

There were also some Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses, including Ling Yun, who possessed the Sword Territory. Countless swords would appear in within the territory as soon as it was activated. Needless to say, all of the swords were controlled by the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse who mastered the territory.

There were many varieties of territories.

"Why do you think I said you'll definitely die today even if you have a third Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman with you?" The black-robed man said solemnly.

"How many Saint Stones did the person who hired you paid you? As long as you're willing to back off, I can give you the number of Saint Stones you desire!" Duan Ling Tian felt helpless when he found out the black-robed man was a Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse.

Just like the black-robed man said, the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman and even Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman were useless against him.

Although the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman's speed was on par with the speed of a Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse, it was only on par with the speed of ordinary Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses. The same applied to the Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman's defense.

The two talismans might work on Martial and Dao Cultivators below the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage, but it was nothing when they were used on people above the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage.

"Boy, people like me in this business have our own rules... Moreover, as soon as you die, all of your fortunes will be mine. There's no need for me to break the rules," the black-robed man said solemnly.

At the same time, the black scythe above the black-robed man's head that looked like a blood moon hanging high in the sky had its tip pointed at Duan Ling Tian. On the other hand, the skinny Wild Beast was glaring at Duan Ling Tian ferociously.

Although it was a Wild Beast that was consolidated from True Energy, it looked alive.

"Naturally, the Saint Stones I offered you aren't with me... As long as you're willing to let me go, I'm willing to take the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation oath that I'll give you the Saint Stones as promised!" Duan Ling Tian said to the black-robed man after taking a deep breath.

In fact, he was not afraid of death. His life was not the first thing that surfaced in his mind when faced with such a life or death situation. If he really died, what would happen to his two fiancées and the two children in their wombs who would be fatherless even before they were born?

That was why he did not want to die. He wanted to live as long as there was a sign of hope.

He was different from who he was in his past life. He was worry-free in his past life, and he was a lone ranger. That was why he was calm even when facing death.

However, he had too many concerns now.

“Boy, stop talking nonsense... Do you think people in this business didn’t have to take an oath to not break any rules before getting into the business?” The black-robed man smirked. “So, it’s useless even if you tell me you’re willing to give me 10,000 First Grade Saint Stones if I let you go... If I break the rules, the oath penalty will see to it that I’m killed by the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation right where I’m standing!”

Duan Ling Tian expression changed dramatically when he heard the black-robed man’s words. There was a hint of unwillingness in his eyes as he tightly clenched the two talismans in his hand.

Would he really die here today?

Duan Ling Tian was at a loss and confused at this moment.

“Appear!”

“Appear!”

Without any hesitation, Duan Ling Tian shouted twice consecutively and used the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman and Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman in his hand.

At this moment, his entire body was covered in a golden eggshell once again.

At the same time, the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman’s energy entered his body, bestowing him speed that was on par with a powerhouse at the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage.

It was clear Duan Ling Tian was not going to wait for death to approach even though he knew there was only a slim chance he could escape it. Waiting for death was not his style.

All of a sudden, Duan Ling Tian turned into a streak of light and shot into the distance.

The black-robed man stood far away and with a mocking smile on his face as he watched Duan Ling Tian use the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman and Three-Star Golden Energy Talisman. “Child’s play!”

Almost as soon as he finished speaking, the territory that encompassed a hundred-meter radius activated suddenly.

The territory that was washed in faint green turned bloody red at this moment. There was black mist mixed in with the bloody red, emitting an extremely devilish aura.

At the same time, the black mist within the bloody red did not stop rumbling and eventually consolidated into a human form. It turned into a giant and blocked Duan Ling Tian’s way. The giant was formed entirely from the black mist.

The giant stood there like a steel wall, blocking Duan Ling Tian’s way.

“Hmph!” Duan Ling Tian scoffed coldly and lifted his arm to take out a Two Star offensive Dao Talisman.

Attacks that were equal to the attacks of a Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse landed on the giant following the shout of, “Appear!”

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian was unreservedly using all the resources he had. He no longer thought of being thrifty.

His life was currently hanging on a thread, it did not make sense for him to be thrifty now. He would lose everything anyway if he died.

However, Duan Ling Tian’s expression changed completely when he saw the giant remained unharmed after being attacked by the Two Star offensive Dao Talisman. ‘What kind of monster is this?!’

Without any hesitation, he turned around instantly and attempted to run in the other direction.

However, another giant with similar appearance appeared in that direction as well.

Subsequently, the same giant would appear no matter where Duan Ling Tian ran to.

These giants were formed from the black mist and bloody red aura. It gave off an aura of suppression, making Duan Ling Tian feel extremely heavy.

“Boy, are you trying to escape from my Blood Devil Territory? You’re too naive!” The black-robed man said with a cold smile.

### **Chapter 1486: The Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda’s Third Level**

‘Blood Devil Territory? So this is the True Energy Consolidated Territory’s power?’ Duan Ling Tian’s eyes narrowed, and his expression turned gloomy when he heard the black-robed man’s words. ‘Will I, Duan Ling Tian, really die here today? I’m unwilling! I’m unwilling!’

He was unwilling!

He had yet to see his two children who were yet to be born.

He had yet to find his parents.

He had yet to take revenge back on earth.

There were just too many things he had yet to achieve.

As the giants surrounded Duan Ling Tian faded away and reverted to black mist in the bloody red aura, the black-robed man arrived before him in just a blink of an eye. There was an eerie light shining in the eyes under the black robe.

Duan Ling Tian noticed the eyes did not look like they belonged to a human.

“Boy, it’s over now,” the black-robed man said calmly. The gigantic scythe above his head and the skinny Wild Beast were charging in Duan Ling Tian’s direction. Their speed was not very fast as though they were giving Duan Ling Tian a chance to catch his breath.

This was the black-robed man's habit when he was killing.

He did not like to immediately end his opponents' lives when he killed. He liked to see their despair and struggle before they died. To him, it was an indulgence, a spiritual indulgence.

However, it was destined that Duan Ling Tian would disappoint him.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian lifted his head suddenly and looked at the black-robed man. The gloominess on his face and the hint of unwillingness in his eyes had disappeared. He had a strange smile on his face. "You... are a Devil Cultivator?"

"Boy, you're not too shabby. You even manage to tell I am a Devil Cultivator just from my Blood Devil Territory." Although he did not like the strange smile on Duan Ling Tian's face, the black-robed man scoffed arrogantly. "Even in the Moon Illumination Sect, apart from the few Saint Stage powerhouses, only people at the Imminent Saint Stage are able to defeat me!"

"You should be proud that you'll die in my hands." The black-robed man smiled coldly.

"We don't know who will die yet." Duan Ling Tian grinned as his eyes gleamed. Subsequently, he lifted his arm and took out a tablet with a chipped corner before the black-robed man managed to react.

Black mist lingered around the tablet as it emitted a terrifying aura.

The black-robed man had an ominous feeling when he saw the tablet. "Boy, what's that?"

"As a Devil Cultivator on Dao Martial Saint Land... I think you should know this Super Saint Weapon in the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking that's able to control Devil Cultivators, right?" The smile on Duan Ling Tian was charming. The despair he felt previously had completely vanished.

"Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking? A Super Saint Weapon that can control Devil Cultivators?" The black-robed man was stunned when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. He seemed to have thought of something as he jumped. His expression changed drastically. "Seal..."

"That's right! It's the Devilseal Tablet!" Duan Ling Tian said loudly, shocking the black-robed man whose body had begun to tremble. When the man was still at a loss, Duan Ling Tian lifted the tablet and tossed it at the black-robed man.

There was no martial art technique in that toss, it was purely a throw.

However, the toss alone was like a voodoo talisman to the black-robed man.

The tablet with a chipped corner was one of the Super Saint Weapons in the Dao Martial Saint Land's Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking. The black ray around the tablet expanded when it was tossed out, and its speed increased in a frenzy.

Just when the black-robed man regained his senses, the Devilseal Tablet smashed hard against his body.

Bang!

As a loud noise sounded, the black-robed man's body shook, and he was thrown out.

At this very second, the black-robed man's eyes that were initially shining with an eerie light turned dark suddenly, blending in with the black robe that covered his entire body.

At this time, the black-robed man had already lost his breath.

His soul had been absorbed and suppressed by the Devilseal Tablet.

Meanwhile, the gigantic scythe and the skinny Wild Beast the black-robed man consolidated from his True Energy had vanished. It was like they were never there at all.

On the other hand, the Blood Devil Territory the black-robed man performed using his True Energy Consolidated Territory technique that covered a hundred-meter radius disappeared as well.

The Devilseal Tablet returned to Duan Ling Tian's hands after the black-robed man was killed.

"That's a close call... Fortunately, he's a Devil Cultivator. Otherwise, I would've died today!" Duan Ling Tian said, still shaken. He took a deep breath to calm his chaotic emotion.

The Devilseal Tablet was only effective against Devil Cultivators. With Duan Ling Tian's cultivation base at the Mortal Shedding Stage, he could activate the Devilseal Tablet and easily suppress Devil Cultivators as long as they were not at the Saint Stage.

"He probably did not expect the boy he didn't take seriously possesses the Devilseal Tablet that can make all Devil Cultivators in the Dao Martial Saint Land tremble," Duan Ling Tian muttered under his breath as he flew and landed next to the black-robed man's body.

At the same time, he flipped open the black robe on the man's body, revealing his face.

Although Duan Ling Tian had lived two lives and was toughened because of that, he could not help but frown when he saw the black-robed man's face.

His face was putrid. One could not tell he was human at all. If it was someone else, they might have thrown up the food they ate the night before when they saw the black-robed man's appearance.

Duan Ling Tian found the black-robed man's Spatial Ring and took it after searching his body. Since the black-robed man had died, the Spatial Ring had become ownerless.

After performing Blood Ownership Claim, Duan Ling Tian's jaw dropped in shock when he looked into it. "So this is what a powerhouse at the peak of the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage has. The fortune he owned is amazing... I'm guessing there are a million Saint Stones that are at the sixth grade?"

With just a glance, Duan Ling Tian could tell there were up to a million sixth grade Saint Stones in that mountainous pile.

Apart from sixth grade Saint Stones, there were many seventh grade Saint Stones too. Naturally, the number was not as jaw-dropping as the sixth grade Saint Stones.

There were more higher grade Saint Stones and fewer lower grade Saint Stones.

It seemed a little strange, but it was undoubtedly a great gain for Duan Ling Tian.

“I suppose ordinary people at the peak of the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage won’t have such a ridiculous amount of fortune... The reason why this fellow was so rich must have something to do with him being an assassin.” Duan Ling Tian was certain of this.

When he was a mercenary in his past life, the business he had conducted was similar wherein he was also hired to kill. Naturally, he had his own rules. The target had to be someone who deserved to die.

No matter what, he was trained by the Hua’s standard special force. He had his bottom line.

Apart from the over a million sixth grade Saint Stones and hundreds of thousands of seventh grade Saint Stones, there were many other things in the black-robed man’s Spatial Ring. There were Saint Weapons inscribed with Saint Inscriptions and a variety of Dao Talismans.

“Three-Star Divine Strider Talismans and Three-Star Golden Energy Talismans... He has so many?”

“And... Is this the Three-Star offensive Dao Talisman?”

After looking through the Dao Talismans in the Spatial Ring for a while, Duan Ling Tian was surprised to find Three-Star offensive Dao Talismans that even Moon Illumination Sect did not have.

When the Three-Star offensive Dao Talisman was activated, its attacks were on par with powerhouses at the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian’s breath could not help but quicken.

“I can’t believe there are two Three-Star offensive Dao Talismans here... These are good stuff.” Although the number of Three-Star offensive Dao Talismans was not as many as Three-Star Divine Strider Talismans and Three-Star Golden Energy Talismans, Duan Ling Tian was still elated to obtain two Three-Star offensive Dao Talismans.

One must know he had slightly regretted using his Three-Star Divine Strider Talismans and Three-Star Golden Energy Talismans when he realized the black-robed man was a Devil Cultivator.

After all, the Three-Star Divine Strider Talismans and Three-Star Golden Energy Talismans were useless when used against the black-robed man.

Naturally, the most important thing was the black-robed man was a Devil Cultivator.

He did not have to do much at all to deal with Devil Cultivators below the Saint Stage. All he needed to do was to bring out the Devilseal Tablet.

The Devilseal Tablet’s force alone was enough to kill the black-robed man.

However, his regret disappeared when he discovered the black-robed man left behind so many Three-Star Divine Strider Talismans and Three-Star Golden Energy Talismans. Not only did he get back what he had wasted, but he had even gained quite a lot of extra items.

Most importantly, he obtained two Three-Star offensive Dao Talismans.

There were even more Two Star Dao Talismans. However, there was no One Star Dao Talisman.

“Based on his ability, he definitely looked down on One Star Dao Talismans.” Duan Ling Tian figured it out easily.

Judging by the black-robed man’s words, it was apparent he was at the peak of the Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage. Otherwise, he would not boast that nobody in Moon Illumination Sect could defeat him apart from the few Saint Stage and Imminent Saint Stage powerhouses.

Duan Ling Tian continued to look through the pile of Saint Weapons in the black-robed man’s Spatial Ring when he was done looking at the Dao Talismans.

The best Saint Weapon was only inscribed with two Three-Star Saint Inscriptions.

Duan Ling Tian was not bothered with these Saint Weapons.

What a joke!

His Sun Shooting Bow was inscribed with three Three-Star Saint Inscriptions. The pile of Saint Weapons in the black-robed man’s Spatial Ring could not even compare to it.

In terms of value, all the Saint Weapons in the black-robed man’s Spatial Ring could not even measure up to his Sun Shooting Bow.

‘Eh? There are quite many materials... I wonder if there’s anything that I can use to restore the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda among these materials,’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself when he saw the materials in the black-robed man’s Spatial Ring.

He was so determined to restore the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda to the point that it seemed like he was possessed. This was because the third level was important to him. He even thought about restoring the third level when he was sleeping.

“Elder Huo.” Duan Ling Tian contacted Elder Huo in the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda immediately. At the same time, he poured out every single item in the black-robed man’s Spatial Ring and spread them out for Elder Huo to look at.

Elder Huo did not say a thing even after he looked at them for a while.

Eventually, Duan Ling Tian could not help but ask impatiently, “Elder Huo, are there any materials that we can use?”

“You’re in great luck! There are a few materials that we can use... These materials are enough to restore the remaining parts of the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda,” Elder Huo said.

Duan Ling Tian was momentarily stunned when he heard Elder Huo’s words. He felt as though he was dreaming.

When he regained his senses, his eyes were shining with excitement. “That’s great! We can finally completely restore the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda... This means the next time I go into closed-door cultivation, I’ll be able to go directly up to the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda!”

**Chapter 1487: The Jiuqu Mountain Range**

As soon as the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda was restored, it would mean Duan Ling Tian would have an excellent cultivation environment.

According to Elder Huo, the cultivation environment on the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda was much better than the cultivation environment on the second level. The slower flow of time would be an immense help to Duan Ling Tian.

‘As soon as the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda is restored, we can start restoring the fourth level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda... As soon as the fourth level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda is restored, space inside will completely stabilize,’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself as his eyes lit up.

As soon as the space in the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda stabilized, he would be able to hide in there when he encountered a life or death situation similar to what happened today.

Fortunately, the black-robed man was a Devil Cultivator. Otherwise, he would definitely die!

If the space in the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda was stabilized, he would have no fear even if the black-robed man was not a Devil Cultivator. This was because he could hide in the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda and turn the pagoda into dust to hide it as well. At that time, he would only come out when the black-robed man had left.

He had to pass the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda in order to get to the fourth level.

Being able to restore the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda was something worth celebrating for Duan Ling Tian.

“Elder Huo, please start restoring the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda... I’ll continue on my journey. The third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda should be restored when I arrive at Han River City,” Duan Ling Tian said to Elder Huo excitedly after he transferred the materials into the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda.

Elder Huo began to get busy as he began the restoration after he gave a brief response.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian put away the remaining materials on the ground before he continued on his journey to Han River City.

His journey thereafter was smooth sailing apart from the time when he was obstructed by the Moon Illumination Sect’s Outer Sect Elder Huang Cheng and the black-robed man.

Duan Ling Tian successfully arrived close to Han River City after half a month.

Before coming here, he made an effort to learn about Han River City. He knew the city’s exact location and the situation of the areas around it.

“This should be Jiuqu Mountain Range on the south of Han River City,” Duan Ling Tian muttered to himself as he hovered in the air and looked at the mountain range in the distance.

The mountain range stretched tens of thousands of miles away, making it appear endless. One would have to pass the mountain range to cross it.

"I heard the gravity in Jiuqu Mountain Range is much stronger than out here... Even ordinary Saint Rudiment Stage Martial and Dao Cultivators could hardly fly in the air." This was what Duan Ling Tian knew about Jiuqu Mountain Range.

"I wonder if it's true." Duan Ling Tian's eyes revealed a hint of skepticism as he surveyed the never-ending mountain range before him. Meanwhile, he flew closer to it.

It was hard for him to imagine how a mere mountain range could have such powerful gravity!

However, as soon he got close to Jiuqu Mountain Range, he faintly felt a pressure in the air before he even entered the mountain range. The pressure bore down on him, causing him to fly lower.

The pressure was similar yet different to the Flight Prohibiting Formation.

People with low cultivation base would not be able to fly at all when they entered an area covered with the Flight Prohibiting Formation.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian could still fly for now even though the height of his flight had been lowered tremendously.

"The closer it is to Jiuqu Mountain Range, the stronger the pressure... Seems like the gravity in there is really extraordinary!" Duan Ling Tian could only walk due to the pressure when he arrived outside of Jiuqu Mountain Range. Although he could still fly, it would be strenuous for him to do so, and he would not be able to last long in the air.

Him trying to fly at this time was akin to fighting the gravity in Jiuqu Mountain Range!

The gravity in Jiuqu Mountain Range was the power of nature. Only people with a certain level of ability would be able to disregard it. Duan Ling Tian did not have the ability to do that now.

"Seems like I'll have to travel by foot if I want to cross Jiuqu Mountain Range... I heard this mountain range has many wild beasts, including Saint Rudiment Stage wild beasts. I have to be cautious when I enter the mountain range," Duan Ling Tian reminded himself before entering Jiuqu Mountain Range.

Duan Ling Tian entered Jiuqu Mountain Range following the entrance ahead. He could feel the pressure getting more and more powerful after entering.

'Every step I take now is a little strenuous.' Duan Ling Tian was surprised to discover this.

He had only heard that Jiuqu Mountain Range had powerful gravity, he had no idea how powerful it was. He realized he had underestimated Jiuqu Mountain Range's gravity now that he had experienced it for himself.

'Such powerful gravity... Apart from people above the Perfection Saint Rudiment Stage, nobody else can fly in the air as they please,' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself after familiarizing himself with Jiuqu Mountain Range's gravity.

Naturally, he would be able to fly in the mountain range if he used the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman, but he did not plan to do that.

Unless he encountered a life and death situation, he would not consider using the Three-Star Divine Strider Talisman.

In Jiuqu Mountain Range, not only was the gravity powerful, but there was an unknown risk as well.

The wild beasts were the risk.

The wild beasts in Jiuqu Mountain Range grew up in the mountain range, and they were used to the gravity in there. The pressure that restricted them since they were young served as a sort of training for them.

Being able to survive in such a terrible environment made them stronger than other wild beasts outside that were at the same level.

Therefore, Duan Ling Tian did not dare to act recklessly when he entered the mountain range. He was extremely cautious of his surrounding.

Roar!

The roar of a beast reverberated in the air as a strong wild beast that resembled a tiger came out of the bamboo forest. It pounced at Duan Ling Tian with its mouth wide-opened as though it was going to swallow him.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian felt a heat wave approaching his face.

A force followed the heat wave. It was the breath of the beast that charged out from the bamboo forest.

“Damn it!” Duan Ling Tian shouted as his expression turned solemn. The Thousand Mass Sword appeared in his hand suddenly, and he directly swung it as hard as he could at the wild beast’s massive mouth.

The Two Star Saint Inscription, Thousand Mass Saint Inscription, was activated.

Gargantuan Taishan!

When Duan Ling Tian swung the Thousand Mass Sword in his hand, it was like a gigantic mountain collapsing as it pressed against the wild beast’s maw. It caused the wild beast to slam on the ground.

Roar! Roar!

The Wild Beast that was pressed on the ground continuously let out a fierce roar as it glared with its big, red eyes. Its strong body, on the other hand, did not stop struggling, attempting to break free from the restraint of the broadsword in Duan Ling Tian’s hand.

“Do you really want to stand up?” Duan Ling Tian smirked. “If that’s what you really want, I’ll grant you your wish!”

Duan Ling Tian withdrew his Thousand Mass Sword at lightning speed as soon as he finished speaking.

At that moment, the wild beast's big eyes lit up, and it tried to stand up.

Gargantuan Taishan!

Naturally, it was impossible that Duan Ling Tian would let it stand up. He lifted the Thousand Mass Sword over his head, and he swung it again, directly aiming at the wild beast's head. The attack successfully killed it.

Bang!

The wild beast's massive body fell on the ground as dirt flew up in the air. It had completely lost its breath.

Its big eyes were still wide-opened as though it did not die in peace.

"This wild beast's cultivation base is at the Mastery Mortal Shedding Stage at the most... But the power it demonstrated earlier was almost on par with wild beasts at the Perfection Mortal Shedding Stage! The wild beasts in Jiuqu Mountain Range really have terrifying strength!"

After killing a wild beast at the Mastery Mortal Shedding Stage, not only was Duan Ling Tian not happy, but his facial expression had turned grave as well.

It was the first wild beast he encountered since he entered Jiuqu Mountain Range.

The wild beasts that he would encounter as he goes deeper into the mountain range would definitely be more terrifying than this one.

Thus, Duan Ling Tian was extremely cautious as he continued on his journey.

Along the way, Duan Ling Tian killed a few wild beasts at the Mastery Mortal Shedding Stage and Perfection Mortal Shedding Stage. When he encountered a couple of Paramount Mortal Shedding wild beasts, he would avoid them at all cost and try his best to avoid conflict with them.

The Paramount Mortal Shedding wild beasts grew up in Jiuqu Mountain Range after all. Even he would have to exert all his strength due to how powerful they were.

If they were to fight, it would definitely cause a great commotion.

At that time, he might attract even more Paramount Mortal Shedding wild beasts or even more powerful wild beasts.

Therefore, he did not fight even though he was confident he could kill those Paramount Mortal Shedding wild beasts.

The wild beasts he killed were the ones he had the confidence to kill in one blow.

Naturally, the one-blow-kill did not include using the Sun Shooting Bow.

With the three Three-Star Saint Inscriptions on the Sun Shooting Bow, he was confident he could kill the Paramount Mortal Shedding wild beasts in Jiuqu Mountain Range with just one arrow...

However, the commotion caused by the Explosive Flame Saint Inscription was too big. He did not want to use it unless it was necessary. Therefore, he tried his very best to behave himself as he crossed the Jiuqu Mountain Range.

“Hmm?” Duan Ling Tian who was still being cautious heard a huge commotion ahead of him suddenly.

As he got closer to take a look, he saw an old man fighting a wild beast.

Whether it was the old man or the wild beast, both of them were injured.

However, it seemed as though they had no intention of stopping. They were fighting intensely as though they would not stop until one of them died.

Apart from that, Duan Ling Tian saw two people standing not far away from the old man as he fought the wild beast.

It was a young lady who looked rather pretty and a young man in fine clothes with an ordinary appearance.

It was obvious the young lady came from a wealthy family from the way she was dressed.

“Elder Ping is worthy of being Ouyang Clan’s Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouse. He has the upper hand even when he’s fighting this wild beast at the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage... This is a wild beast that grew up in Jiuqu Mountain Range, its ability is superior to wild beasts from other places,” the young man in fine clothes complimented.

“Of course.” The young lady had a hint of arrogance written between her eyebrows. “Our Ouyang Clan’s heritage ranks at the top in the entire Han River City.”

### **Chapter 1488: Yi Tian Xing**

There was a cold glint in the eyes of the finely dressed young man when he heard the young woman’s words that were caught by Duan Ling Tian.

‘Aren’t they together? Why does it seem like there’s some conflict between them?’ Duan Ling Tian was a little confused.

At this moment, the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage wild beast was finally killed by the old man at the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage.

With the three-foot-long blade in his hands, the old man had pierced through the space between the wild beast’s eyebrows and nailed it to the trunk of a tree at the side. It hung on the tree, causing the tree to shake.

The young woman walked toward the old man with a smile on her face as she marveled, “Elder Ping, you’re so powerful.”

Barf!

When the young woman was walking toward the old man, his face suddenly turned red. He fell to his knees and spat out a mouthful of blood as his body began to tremble. It was obvious that he had suffered quite severe injuries.

“Elder Ping, are you hurt?!” The young woman asked, her expression had changed dramatically. Her question left Duan Ling Tian speechless.

Did that woman seriously think the old man was just a little bit bruised?

Naïve!

That was the first impression Duan Ling Tian had of that young woman.

“Second Young Miss, let’s return to Han River City,” the old man finally said after lifting his head up with many difficulties.

“Yes, yes.” The young woman nodded hurriedly. She looked at the finely dressed young man beside her and said with a frown, “Yi Tian Xing, why aren’t you helping Elder Ping?”

“I’m coming.” The finely dressed young man, Yi Tian Xing, smiled awkwardly as he walked toward the young woman and the old man.

All of a sudden, his eyes turned cold, and his expression turned vicious.

“Ouyang Ping!” Yi Tian Xing exclaimed loudly all of a sudden, startling the young woman next to him.

Ouyang Ping who was kneeling on one knee lifted his head up instinctively and looked at Yi Tian Xing with a puzzled expression.

When he saw a saber ray racing toward him in the split second after Yi Tian Xing raised his hand, his expression changed and hints of terror and urgency could be seen in his eyes. Although he was at the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage, he was currently powerless after the fight with the wild beast.

The Early Saint Rudiment Stage Martial Cultivator whom he had never feared in the past was attacking him under such circumstances, and he could not avoid it.

Shing!

Ouyang Ping’s head was sliced off when saber ray landed. It rolled to the side as blood gushed out from the decapitated body. The blood that stained the ground looked dazzling. Soon after, the stench of blood permeated the place.

“Yi Tian Xing, you’re crazy!” The young woman finally regained her senses, and her expression changed when she saw the scene before her. “You... You... You actually killed Elder Ping! You’ll certainly die! You’re dead! Even your father won’t be able to protect you this time!”

“My father won’t be able to protect me?” Yi Tian Xing smiled. “Ouyang Ruo, you don’t seem to be aware of your current predicament. The old man is dead... do you think you’ll be able to live to tell the tale?”

“You... You want to kill me?” Ouyang Ruo’s expression changed drastically. “If you dare to kill me, your Yi Clan will not have peace!”

“Even if I kill you, who’s going to know I did it?”

Yi Tian Xing sneered. “I met both of you during your journey. Who would know we were together? If you fail to return to the Ouyang Clan, they’ll think both of you died inside Jiuqu Mountain Range. Why would they suspect me, Yi Tian Xing?”

Ouyang Ruo paled when she heard Yi Tian Xing’s words. Naturally, she knew Yi Tian Xing’s words were true.

“Yi Tian Xing, I don’t think I’ve ever offended you... Why are you doing this?” Ouyang Ruo’s voice trembled when she spoke. She was the young miss of a big clan and was born with a silver spoon in her mouth. When had she ever encountered this kind of situation? She was extremely terrified.

“Why am I doing this?”

Yi Tian Xing heard her words. With a fierce expression, he said, “It’s to obtain you! You, with the power Ouyang Clan, have never taken me, Yi Tian Xing, seriously... From when we’re little until we’re all grown up, I’ve written no less than a thousand letters to you... Have you even read any of them?”

“You’ve always looked down on me!” When Yi Tian Xing spoke, his voice gradually began to rise.

Ouyang Ruo was completely dumbfounded when she heard his words. She did not expect Yi Tian Xing would be so malicious and murderous because of that.

How twisted must he be to have such thoughts?

For a time, her heart was filled with terror.

“Yi Tian Xing, it’s not like that... I’ve read the letters you wrote. It’s just that I don’t have the habit of replying to letters,” Ouyang Ruo lied in an attempt to calm Yi Tian Xing.

“Don’t have the habit of replying to letters?”

Yi Tian Xing laughed. His laughter was slightly tinged with insanity. “What about those letters from Situ Hao that you replied? What was that? Up until now, you’re still treating me like a fool whom you can play with?”

Ouyang Ruo turned ghastly pale. She did not think Yi Tian Xing was aware of that.

“I heard the Situ Clan will be going to the Ouyang Clan to make a marriage proposal for Situ Hao to marry you soon... It seems like your father has agreed to it. I’ve been thinking about how I can have you. God’s great! I’m finally given a chance.” Yi Tian Xing slowly walked toward Ouyang Ruo as his eyes revealed a hint of lewdness.

“Yi Tian Xing, as long as you let me go, I’ll swear an oath to keep what happened here a secret... As for Elder Ping, I’ll just say that he died protecting me.” Ouyang Ruo was completely terrified now.

“That’s not necessary! Even if I have my way with you and kill you, what happens today won’t come to light. Didn’t you always act high and mighty before me? What? Why are you no longer acting high and mighty?” Yi Tian Xing yelled as though he had gone insane. His expression was fierce.

At this moment, Ouyang Ruo retrieved a Dao Talisman at lightning speed and threw it toward Yi Tian Xing.

“Appear!” Ouyang Ruo cried out. At the same time, another voice saying, “Appear!” could be heard as well. Yi Tian Xing had also thrown out a Dao Talisman that emitted a powerful force. It collided with the force from Ouyang Ruo’s talisman, nullifying each other.

Both were Two Star Offensive Dao Talismans, neither one was better than the other.

“Ouyang Ruo, stop struggling... If you serve me well, maybe I’ll leave your corpse intact after I kill you. Otherwise, I’ll cut you into pieces and feed each part to a different wild beast.” Yi Tian Xing grinned sinisterly.

Ouyang Ruo turned ghastly pale in shock as her body trembled. She was speechless.

Yi Tian Xing immediately made a move.

Although Ouyang Ruo resisted, she was far from being Yi Tian Xing’s match and was subdued in just a blink of an eye.

She was a Perfection Mortal Shedding Stage Martial Cultivator. She could not fight Yi Tian Xing who was an Early Saint Rudiment Stage Martial Cultivator.

“Tsk tsk... You must be twisted to do such a thing!” When Yi Tian Xing was about to rape Ouyang Ruo who had a desperate expression on her face, Duan Ling Tian emerged from the shadow, clicking his tongue.

He had never been a nosy person. Even if he did not really like Ouyang Ruo’s princess temperament, Yi Tian Xing’s behavior had disgusted him. He could not bear to see Yi Tian Xing getting his way.

“Who’s it?!”

Duan Ling Tian’s voice caused Yi Tian Xing to change his expression dramatically. He hurriedly turned around and saw Duan Ling Tian with just a glance. “Who are you?”

“It doesn’t matter who I am. More importantly, you disgust me.”

Duan Ling Tian looked at Yi Tian Xing coldly and said, “A man degenerating to this state because of a woman... That’s sad!”

“Who do you think you are? You think you’re worthy of lecturing me, Yi Tian Xing?” Yi Tian Xing sneered as a saber as thin as a cicada’s wings appeared in his hand. The blade gleamed and a crescent-shape saber ray flew toward Duan Ling Tian suddenly.

The speed was so fast that it was impossible to guard against it.

Duan Ling Tian who was prepared, moved and managed to narrowly avoid the crescent-shape saber ray. This was also because Yi Tian Xing had attacked casually. If he had attacked with all his might, Duan Ling Tian would not have been able to avoid it so easily.

No matter what, Yi Tian Xing was still an Early Saint Rudiment Stage Martial Cultivator. His cultivation base was two levels higher than Duan Ling Tian.

“Save me! Save me!” When Duan Ling Tian avoided Yi Tian Xing’s attack, it caused Yi Tian Xing to let go of Ouyang Ruo. He looked at Duan Ling Tian with a dark expression as Ouyang Ruo quickly sought protection from Duan Ling Tian and hid behind him.

Currently, she was no longer as arrogant as she was earlier.

“If you save me, the Ouyang Clan will reward you generously... At that time, no matter what you want, the Ouyang Clan will give it to you as long as we can afford it,” Ouyang Ruo said to Duan Ling Tian.

Although Ouyang Ruo was not trying to be arrogant when she said that, Duan Ling Tian still felt uncomfortable when he heard it.

However, he had made a decision. If he was given the chance, he would definitely rip them off.

“Die!” Yi Tian Xing cried out at this moment as he attacked at lightning speed. The saber that was as thin as a cicada’s wings swept out along with his Saint Grade Saber Martial Tactic and headed straight for Duan Ling Tian.

The strength of an Early Saint Rudiment Stage Martial Cultivator could be seen at this moment. It must be said that Yi Tian Xing was actually quite strong.

Moreover, Yi Tian Xing’s Saint Saber was inscribed with three Two Stars Saint Inscriptions. It seemed invincible. If Duan Ling Tian only used the Thousand Mass Sword and the Gargantuan Taishan, he knew he was not going to be a match for Yi Tian Xing.

Therefore, he used all his ultimate killing moves.

Sun Shooting Bow!

Body and Arrow Synchronization!

Aerolite Strike!

Duan Ling Tian nocked his arrow, drew his bow and quickly activated the three Three Stars Saint Inscriptions on his Sun Shooting Bow. He had unleashed almost all his abilities apart from the Strange Pupil.

Xiu!

The arrow shot across the sky, heading for Yi Tian Xing’s vital organs.

“You overestimated yourself!” Yi Tian Xing sneered and flicked the saber that was as thin as a cicada’s wings to form a layer of defense in front of him.

In his opinion, an arrow formed from True Energy by a mere Mortal Shedding Stage Martial Cultivator could never break through his defense.

However, he realized how naive he was when the arrow Duan Ling Tian shot out arrived before him...

Duan Ling Tian's arrow pierced through the Saint Saber in Yi Tian Xing's hands and embedded itself into Yi Tian Xing's shoulder.

### **Chapter 1489: Ouyang Ruo's Thought**

Although he was shocked by the strength of Duan Ling Tian's shot, Yi Tian Xing could not help but heave a sigh of relief when he saw the arrow deviating a little and hit his shoulder due to his defense.

However, his face changed in the next moment. His face that was filled with terror was destined to be his last expression in life.

Boom!

At the same time, the arrow embedded in Yi Tian Xing's shoulder exploded suddenly and turned his upper body into a bloody mist. Apart from that, his lower body had also completely eroded in just a minute.

In just a blink of an eye, Yi Tian Xing's body was devoured by a black mist and completely disappeared from the face of the earth as though he was never there.

Ouyang Ruo who was hiding behind Duan Ling Tian stared in wide-eyed astonishment at the scene before her, her body even began to tremble.

Someone who was still alive and kicking just a moment before had completely disappeared before her eyes in the time it took her to blink.

This scene greatly shocked her. However, Ouyang Ruo was still the young miss of a big clan after all, she quickly recovered from her shock and thanked Duan Ling Tian. "Thank you for saving me."

Duan Ling Tian turned around and glanced at Ouyang Ruo, but he remained silent.

Up until now, he did not have a good impression of this woman. The only reason he had emerged from the shadows was due to his disgust of Yi Tian Xing's behavior. If Yi Tian Xing did not intend to kill him first, Duan Ling Tian would not have killed him.

When Ouyang Ruo saw Duan Ling Tian picking up the Spatial Rings left behind by Yi Tian Xing and Ouyang Ping like a money-grubber and unceremoniously put it away in his own Spatial Ring, she could not help but frown.

"That's Ouyang Clan's Elder Ping's Spatial Ring, shouldn't you..." Ouyang Ruo began to speak, but she was interrupted by Duan Ling Tian before she could finish her sentence.

"That Spatial Ring was Yi Tian Xing's trophy, it could be considered as belonging to him... Since I killed Yi Tian Xing, his things are naturally my trophies." Duan Ling Tian's words made Ouyang Ruo so angry that she was unable to speak.

When she thought about, it seemed like he was right.

“Miss Ouyang, if I didn’t save you, not only would these things be mine, but even your Spatial Ring would’ve been mine,” Duan Ling Tian said as he coldly glanced at Ouyang Ruo.

After saying that, Duan Ling Tian did not bother with Ouyang Ruo anymore and continued on his journey to the other side of Jiuqu Mountain Range on his own.

As for the remuneration from the Ouyang Clan that Ouyang Ruo had promised, Duan Ling Tian was not very interested in it then.

With Ouyang Ruo’s temperament, who knew if she would bite the hand that fed her after they arrived at the Ouyang Clan.

Earlier, Ouyang Ruo dared to question him when he merely collected what was due. She even used the Ouyang Clan to pressure him when she spoke.

Was that how she usually treat her savior?

“Wait up!” Ouyang Ruo instantly became anxious when she saw Duan Ling Tian was abandoning her. Who did not know that Jiuqu Mountain Range was extremely dangerous? If she bumped into a wild beast, with just her strength, she would definitely die.

Ouyang Ruo instantly caught up to Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian did not bother to pay any attention to Ouyang Ruo and left on his own accord. If it was not because he had to be extra cautious in Jiuqu Mountain Range, he would have sped off and left her alone.

“He actually ignored me!” Ouyang Ruo’s face sank when she realized Duan Ling Tian was ignoring her.

As the only daughter of the Clan Leader of Ouyang Clan, the Second Young Miss of Ouyang Clan, she had grown up surrounded by men. Was there a man who did not admire her when they met her?

For the first time, she was ignored by a man of her age. For a time, Ouyang Ruo felt as though her self-esteem had been stomped on by Duan Ling Tian.

There was only anger in her eyes as she looked at Duan Ling Tian’s retreating back. However, she did not dare to do anything or challenge Duan Ling Tian verbally even though she was furious.

She had already experienced Duan Ling Tian’s heartlessness. She knew he was a man who did not know how to treat women tenderly.

‘I really don’t know if he’s a real man or not. How can he be so cold toward such a beautiful woman like me.’ If Duan Ling Tian knew what Ouyang Ruo was thinking, he definitely would not be able to hold back his laughter.

Among his fiancées, any one of them were hundreds and thousands of times better than Ouyang Ruo.

‘Eh... He’s also a Mortal Shedding Stage Martial Cultivator?’ Ouyang Ruo witnessed Duan Ling Tian attack a few times during their journey. During that time, she clearly sensed the aura of Duan Ling Tian’s True Energy, and it was a Mortal Shedding Stage True Energy.

There was a distinct difference between the True Energy of someone at the Saint Rudiment Stage and the True Energy of someone at the Mortal Shedding Stage Martial Cultivator.

This difference was easily distinguished by Ouyang Ruo.

‘A mere Mortal Shedding Stage Martial Cultivator who manages to pierce Yi Tian Xing’s defense and kill him in just a shot... It seems like the Saint Inscription on his Saint Weapon isn’t that simple,’ Ouyang Ruo thought to herself.

Fear still lingered in her heart when she recalled the scene when Yi Tian Xing was instantly killed.

‘The arrow he shot seemed to have penetrated through Yi Tian Xing’s defense easily... In fact, it seems like it wasn’t even slightly hindered! As a mere Mortal Shedding Stage Martial Cultivator, it’s impossible for him to be so strong!’

Ouyang Ruo came to a conclusion on her own. ‘It must be the strength of the Saint Inscription.’

‘Saint Inscription with such a strong penetrative ability, it’s unlikely that it’s a One Star Saint Inscription. It’s also unlikely that it’s a Two Star Saint Inscription... Is it a Three Star Saint Inscription? Among all the Three Star Saint Inscriptions, the Penetration Saint Inscription has this the exact ability.’ Ouyang Ruo’s heartbeat quickened involuntarily when she thought of that.

Three Star Saint Inscription!

It should be noted that even the Ouyang Clan did not have more than a few Saint Weapons that was inscribed with a Three Star Saint Inscription, and those were in the hands of the decision-makers in the clan.

‘Who’s he?’ When Ouyang Ruo looked at Duan Ling Tian again, her eyes were sparkling.

‘His origin must be extraordinary! I’m afraid that even Situ Hao cannot compare to him... The Situ Clan is merely an eighth-rate clan like the Ouyang Clan. He’s probably from a seventh-rate force.’ When Ouyang Ruo thought of that, she no longer found Duan Ling Tian unpleasant. In fact, she began to initiate conversations with him. Not only that but she also quickly changed her behavior to that of a gentle lady.

If Duan Ling Tian did not already witness Ouyang Ruo’s arrogance, he would have been deceived by it.

‘This Ouyang Ruo, why did she suddenly change so much?’ Duan Ling Tian was secretly on guard since he had heard of the saying, ‘There’s no such thing as a free lunch.’ She must be up to something.

‘Of course...’ When Ouyang Ruo probed him for his identity, he finally guessed her intention.

“Miss Ouyang, I heard you’re going to marry into the Situ Clan soon?” Duan Ling Tian asked faintly.

“That’s Yi Tian Xing’s speculation... That Situ Hao is a playboy, and I don’t like that. I like a man with integrity,” Ouyang Ruo said softly but deliberately. She stared at Duan Ling Tian meaningfully as her eyes shone with admiration that felt overly contrived.

Duan Ling Tian sneered in his heart.

Naturally, he was not so naïve to believe that Ouyang Ruo would fall for him just because he had saved her.

‘This Ouyang Ruo is not a simple-minded person after all... Did she figure something out?’ Duan Ling Tian could slightly guess her intention, causing his wariness against her increased.

This woman was smarter than he thought.

“You know my name, but I still don’t know yours... This seems a little unfair, right?” Ouyang Ruo asked with a smile as she looked at Duan Ling Tian.

“There’s nothing unfair about it. You didn’t tell me your name on your own accord,” Duan Ling Tian responded calmly as though nothing could affect him. It made Ouyang Ruo feel annoyed, but she tried to rein in her temper and forced a smile on her face.

The more Duan Ling Tian acted this way, the more she felt that Duan Ling Tian’s background was not simple.

‘I hope that I can eliminate his prejudice toward me along the way. As soon as I have him in my hands, my Ouyang Clan will be able to contact the force behind him. At that time, my clan will soar to a greater height!’ Ouyang Ruo’s eyes lit up as though she could already see the status of Ouyang Clan soaring.

This was because she did not only make her own conjecture that Duan Ling Tian was from a seventh-rate force, but she even came to the conclusion that Duan Ling Tian’s position was quite high as well.

Otherwise, how could he possess a Saint Weapon inscribed with a Three Star Saint Inscription even though he was only at the Mortal Shedding Stage?

After half a day, Duan Ling Tian could not help but sigh in relief when he felt the pressure from the gravity lessen. ‘Finally, I’m leaving this hell hole.’

To Duan Ling Tian, Jiuqu Mountain Range was a hell hole.

Not only must he guard against wild beasts in this hell hole, but he also had to deal with Ouyang Ruo who was an extremely cunning woman.

Hence, once Duan Ling Tian left Jiuqu Mountain Range, he stepped into the air and flew off without saying a word.

“Wait for me!” Ouyang Ruo panicked immediately when she was Duan Ling Tian was going to abandon her. She lifted her arm to retrieve a One Star Divine Strider Talisman and cried out, “Appear!” to obtain the speed of an Early Saint Rudiment Stage Martial Cultivator.

She managed to catch up to Duan Ling Tian in just a blink of an eye.

“Oi! How come you’re so rude? You even abandoned a delicate lady like me alone. Aren’t you afraid something bad might happen to me?” Ouyang Ruo said angrily to Duan Ling Tian as a result of her embarrassment.

Delicate lady?

When Duan Ling Tian heard Ouyang Ruo’s words, he subconsciously sized her up and sneered.

If Ouyang Ruo was considered a delicate lady, then there would not be any delicate ladies in this world.

“Appear!” Duan Ling Tian, annoyed by Ouyang Ruo, used a Two Star Divine Strider Talisman from the black-robed man’s Spatial Ring. He disappeared before Ouyang Ruo’s eyes in just a blink of an eye.

It made Ouyang Ruo so angry that she kept stomping her feet. “Am I that annoying?”

“However, this proves that I’m not mistaken. He must have quite the background to be able to use a Two Star Divine Strider Talisman so casually.” Soon after, Ouyang Ruo began to smile again with her eyes narrowed. A glint flashed in her eyes.

“Based on the direction he’s headed, he should be going to Han River City,” Ouyang Ruo muttered to herself.

#### **Chapter 1490: Han River City**

As the largest city within the area under the influence of the Nine Sect Alliances, Han River City covered the most land area among the cities Duan Ling Tian had ever seen in this life.

The reason he had said that it was the biggest city he had ever seen in this life was that the cities in this world were not comparable to the ones from his past life.

Cities from his past life were different from those from this life. While they were similar, Duan Ling Tian had been living in modern society then — one that did not have city walls and specific divisions.

A city in a modern society would encompass a whole area and not just be bound by city walls.

Before Duan Ling Tian went near Han River City, he had discovered that there were more and more people around him. Judging by the direction they were headed in, they were obviously going toward Han River City.

To Duan Ling Tian’s knowledge, Han River City, as one of the cities within the area under the influence of the Nine Sect Alliances, had set up a Flight Prohibiting Formation as well.

Han River City’s Flight Prohibiting Formation was the same as the one at the City Governor’s Estate of the Moon Illumination Sect whereby it would restrict Martial Cultivators and Dao Cultivators below the Saint Stage from flying.

However, Martial Cultivators and Dao Cultivators above the Saint Stage could control the air and fly at will.

Therefore, when Duan Ling Tian arrived outside Han River City, he could only walk into Han River City obediently, following the flow of humans.

The streets inside Han River City were wider than the streets of an ordinary city. The sheer number of people also broadened Duan Ling Tian's horizons.

"Comparing the cities I've been to in Han River City, the countryside towns seem like small villages." Along the way, Duan Ling Tian could not help but stick his tongue out while he observed the majesty of Han River City.

However, he did not forget the purpose of going to Han River City.

After he found an inn to stay at, he began to snoop around regarding the inner workings of the city.

Before he went to Han River City, he only had a general understanding of the place and was not too familiar with the inner workings.

Nevertheless, money made people talk.

After Duan Ling Tian had a meal at a restaurant and gave out some Saint Stones, he had a better understanding of the ins and the outs of Han River City.

Han River City was a district under the common administration of the Nine Sect Alliances as it received protection from them. Furthermore, the headquarters of the Nine Sect Alliances was inside Han River City.

Almost all of the assets and industries in Han River City, no matter big or small, were divided among the nine greatest sects of the Nine Sect Alliances. After that was done, they were decentralized to some local forces in Han River City to manage.

The local forces of Han River City were eighth-rated forces.

Certainly, the strength of those eighth-rated forces was not comparable to the eighth-rated forces like the Eighteen Cities which were under the Moon Illumination Sect.

The Eighteen Cities were barely considered eighth-rated forces; they were considered as one merely because of the influence the Moon Illumination Sect had.

On the other hand, the eighth-rated forces in Han River City had profound strength.

The stronger ones among those eighth-rated forces even had several Paramount Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses guarding them; the weaker one would also have several Perfection Saint Rudiment Stage powerhouses.

Those forces might be familial clans or sects, but all of them were local forces of Han River City.

"It seems that the Ouyang Clan, the Situ Clan and the Yi Clan behind Yi Tian Xing were all local forces of Han River City. Besides that, the Ouyang Clan and the Situ Clan should be the top dogs whereas the Yi Clan is a bit worse off." It was not hard for Duan Ling Tian to make such speculation after the scene he had witnessed when he had met Ouyang Ruo and Yi Tian Xing previously.

In addition to a certain understanding of the local forces at Han River City, Duan Ling Tian had also found out about places that sold Inscription Pens and a variety of rare materials.

Apart from relaxing, there were two main purposes that brought him to Han River City.

Firstly, he wanted to buy an Inscription Pen.

Secondly, he intended to scout for more materials to restore the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda.

The sky started to darken when Duan Ling Tian left the restaurant and he soon returned to his inn.

After he shut his room door properly, he entered the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda and found out that Elder Huo was resting his mind on the first level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda with his eyes closed.

He called his name out a few times, but Elder Huo did not react at all.

‘It seems that restoring the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda was quite burdensome for Elder Huo,’ Duan Ling Tian thought secretly.

‘I’ll go and take a look at the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda.’ He had been waiting for that moment for such a long time.

Before he entered the Jiuqu Mountain Range, he had received Elder Huo’s Voice Transmission stating that the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda had been completely restored.

If it were not for the unsuitable environment, he would not have waited to enter the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda.

Duan Ling Tian did not stop even when he reached the second level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda. He just continued to the third level.

However, he did spare several glances around the second level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda before entering the third level. ‘In the future, this place will be left empty.’

With a better cultivation environment, he certainly would not stay and cultivate on the second level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda again.

“The third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda!”

After going up to the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda, Duan Ling Tian could clearly feel the thick Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy in the air. It was totally incomparable with the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy on the second level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda.

The third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda was an empty and spacious area. Right in the middle stood a huge stone.

The stone stood there like a hill, covering an area no larger than the size of a World Cup football field from Duan Ling Tian’s past life.

After flying up to the huge stone, Duan Ling Tian saw a long weapon pierced into the ground in front of him.

It was a halberd.

‘Is this the Celestial Supreme Treasure that Elder Huo previously mentioned, the Astonishing Godly Halberd?’ Duan Ling Tian’s heartbeat quickened involuntarily when he saw the weapon.

The Astonishing Godly Halberd was one of the seven treasures in the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda. In terms of ranking, it placed above the Jasper Celestial Sword which was on the second level.

Although he knew that he probably could not lift the Astonishing Godly Halberd, Duan Ling Tian still tried. He only stopped when he had fully exerted himself, but the Astonishing Godly Halberd still remained stationary.

‘I also don’t know when will I be able to use a Celestial Supreme Treasure,’ Duan Ling Tian sighed with a bitter smile.

Who could ever understand his desire?

Even though the Sun Shooting Bow was also a Celestial Supreme Treasure, it was a broken one of which its strength could not even compare to the weakest of all Celestial Supreme Treasures.

Meanwhile, the Jasper Celestial Sword on the second level and the Astonishing Godly Halberd on the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda were complete Celestial Supreme Treasure with incredible powers.

‘According to Elder Huo, when I’m able to use any one of the six Celestial Supreme Treasures inside the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda, I should be invincible in this world.’ As Duan Ling Tian’s thoughts trailed, he became antsy.

However, there was nothing he could do no matter how anxious he was, he was too weak to carry a Celestial Supreme Treasure.

It had been half a day in the outside world but two and a half days inside the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda.

Two and a half days were sufficient for Duan Ling Tian to stabilize his cultivation base on the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage.

When the next cycle of dawn shone across all the land, Duan Ling Tian left the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda.

He walked out of his room and left the inn after he took a hot shower and enjoyed his own time a little.

After leaving the inn, Duan Ling Tian went to buy an Inscription Pen.

‘This Inscription Pen is really expensive! A mere Three-Star Inscription Pen actually costs me 100,000 pieces of Grade Seven Saint Stones.’ After he got the Inscription Pen, Duan Ling Tian could not help but pull a face.

After buying the Inscription Pen, he went to the largest marketplace in Han River City and spent a whole day there.

'It's a pity that Elder Huo hasn't recovered. Otherwise, he could see that if there are any other materials which could help to restore the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda.'

Anyway, it was not like Duan Ling Tian had not reaped any rewards for the whole day. He did manage to find two materials that were required to restore the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda as Elder Huo had previously requested.

In the evening of the same day, someone was already at the inn waiting for him when he arrived.

"Young Master, I'm the steward of the Ouyang Clan. Our Clan Leader is inviting you to come over." The person was an old man.

Duan Ling Tian raised his brows. He had an inkling that the old man's strength was no weaker than any one of the outer court deacons of the Moon Illumination Sect.

Generally, the outer court deacons of the Moon Illumination Sect were on the Mastery Saint Rudiment Stage. Only a small portion of them was on the Intermediate Saint Rudiment Stage.