

Chapter 2051: The Death Of The Black Armored Army's Commander

However, when the three figures had gotten closer, Li An noticed the other two figures were being carried by the other figure. Only one of them had a cultivation base at the Quintessential Saint Stage. Li An instantly turned his attention to this person and discovered this person resembled Duan Ling Tian before he disguised himself by about 60% to 70%. He knew what Duan Ling Tian truly looked like since he had managed to obtain a portrait of Duan Ling Tian from the Watcher he had interrogated.

“This must be Mansion Master Duan Ru Feng of the Azure Cloud Mansion!” Li An figured out the identity of this person. The Mansion Master of the Azure Cloud Mansion was Duan Ling Tian’s father.

Soon after, Duan Ru Feng brought an old man and a sturdy-looking middle-aged man wearing a black armor in front of the Black Armored Guards and shielded them.

“Lord Mansion Master!”

“Lord Mansion Master!”

Following the lead of Centurion Tong Zhong, the group of Black Armored Guards bowed respectfully to Duan Ru Feng when he appeared. Some of the Black Armored Guards who had never seen Duan Ru Feng before became excited. They did not feel regretful if they had to die since they were able to see the Mansion Master of the Azure Cloud Mansion!

In the hearts of every Black Armored Guards, Mansion Master Duan Ru Feng of the Azure Cloud Mansion was someone with a lofty position and they respected him deeply. He was even more important to them than their own lives!

When they saw Duan Ru Feng, all of them were suddenly infused with courage. They all stood straight, exuding an imposing aura. They looked magnificent as they all gathered together.

Upon seeing this, Li An and his men could not help but feel shocked.

Although these guards dressed in black armors were weak, their imposing aura when they joined forces was not similar to powerhouses below the Quintessential Saint Stage.

“Elder Rong!”

“Elder Rong!”

“Lord Commander!”

“Lord Commander!”

After the group of Black Armored Guards greeted Mansion Master Duan Ru Feng of the Azure Cloud Mansion, they instantly turned to the old man and sturdy-looking middle-aged man standing next to Duan Ru Feng and greeted them respectfully as well.

The old man standing next to Duan Ru Feng was none other than Rong Yuan! The sturdy-looking middle-aged man wearing black armor, on the other hand, was the current Commander of the Black Armored Army who was at the Exemplary Saint Stage.

Naturally, those who were at the Exemplary Saint Stage in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land could be considered as elite powerhouses. However, they were nothing in front of Li An and his men! Even the weakest person among Li An's men was at the First Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Such a powerhouse only needed to lift his finger to defeat someone at the peak of the Exemplary Saint Stage, let alone an ordinary Exemplary Saint Stage Martial Cultivator!

The robe on Duan Ru Feng fluttered. A furious and determined expression could be seen on his face as he glared at Li An and his men. He asked in a deep voice, "Who are you? Why did you kill my Azure Cloud Mansion's people?"

Since Duan Ru Feng had just arrived, he did not know where these people came from. At this moment, he was thoroughly angered!

Ever since Duan Ru Feng became the Mansion Master of the Azure Cloud Mansion, nobody from the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land had dared to come and cause trouble in the Azure Cloud Mansion.

However, today, people had slaughtered their way into the Azure Cloud Mansion and killed hundreds of Black Armored Guards. This was akin to slapping the face of the Mansion Master of the Azure Cloud Mansion.

"You're Duan Ru Feng? The Mansion Master of the Azure Cloud Mansion?" Li An asked indifferently, he did not deign to answer Duan Ru Feng's question. His tone was condescending as though he was speaking to someone inferior to him.

As soon as Li An finished speaking, the Black Armored Army's Commander standing next to Duan Ru Feng took two steps forward and glared at Li An. He said angrily, "How dare you address our Mansion Master directly without using his title!"

Duan Ru Feng was also deeply respected by the Commander of the Black Armored Army! If Duan Ru Feng did not rescue him previously, he would have died! For Duan Ru Feng's sake, he did not fear shedding blood or losing his life!

At this moment, how could he possibly tolerate the person he respected the most to be treated so callously?

"Lord Commander!" When the Black Armored Army's Commander took two steps forward and spoke to Li An, Tong Zhong who was standing behind him seemed to have recalled something as he called out in panic. There was a horrified expression on his face.

As soon as Tong Zhong finished speaking...

Swish!

The sound of saber whistling in the air appeared and disappeared just as quickly.

In the next moment, everyone was greeted by the sight of the Black Armored Army's Commander being beheaded.

Fresh blood gushed out from his decapitated body like a fountain. The blood that spurted out from his body looked dazzling like red roses.

"Hurmph! Just a mere Exemplary Saint Stage ant like you isn't worthy to act so unruly in front of Elder Li An!" An old man standing behind Li An said disdainfully.

This was the person who had decapitated the Azure Cloud Mansion's Commander of the Black Armored Army!

"Elder Wang!" Duan Ru Feng regained his senses first. Horror dawned on him as he saw the Black Armored Army's Commander who had been decapitated. His eyes became bloodshot as an oppressive Devil Qi surged out of his body.

Snap!

As a crisp sound resonated, the hairband on Duan Ru Feng's head snapped. His long black hair fluttered even though there was no breeze. They looked like snakes wriggling and writhing in the air.

Currently, Duan Ru Feng's entire body was shrouded by Devil Qi. The aura around his body continued to rise and intensify.

"The Intermediate Quintessential Saint Stage... The Mastery Quintessential Saint Stage... The peak of the Quintessential Saint Stage?!" Li An could not help but furrow his eyebrows when he sensed the energy from Duan Ru Feng.

Earlier, Li An had determined Duan Ru Feng's cultivation base was merely at the Intermediate Quintessential Saint Stage. However, currently, his cultivation base had jumped past the Mastery Quintessential Saint Stage and entered the peak of the Quintessential Saint Stage before it finally stopped.

Although it did not enter the Saint Celestial Stage, it still frightened Li An quite a bit.

'Duan Ling Tian, Duan Ru Feng's son, knows a technique to conceal his cultivation base...' Li An suddenly recalled this. He was no longer shocked. He merely thought Duan Ru Feng had concealed his cultivation base earlier and had only revealed his true cultivation base now. It did not occur to him that Duan Ru Feng had only just risen his cultivation base! His cultivation base was indeed at the Intermediate Quintessential Saint Stage before this.

"Commander Wang!" Rong Yuan regained his senses after Duan Ru Feng. When he saw the Black Armored Army's Commander who had been beheaded, his eyes turned bloodshot as well.

"Lord Commander!"

"Lord Commander!"

At the same time, the group of Black Armored Guards, including Tong Zhong, cried out in sorrow as well.

Then, they shifted their gaze away from the Black Armored Army's Commander to look at Li An and his men. Their eyes were burning with hatred! If looks could kill, Li An and his men would have died.

"All of you are from the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land?" Duan Ru Feng asked as he looked Li An coldly. His body was completely shrouded in Devil Qi. His tone sounded so sinister it seemed as though it came from hell. It sent chills running up the spines of those who heard it.

Rong Yuan who was standing next to Duan Ru Feng could not help but shudder as well. At this moment, he could see the intense anger of his Lord Mansion Master!

"That's right!" Li An was not afraid when faced with Duan Ru Feng's cold gaze. Instead, he smirked. "Duan Ru Feng, I don't mind telling you this. I'm Li An, a Silver Flame Elder from the Fire Worship Sect, one of the three great sects in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land!"

Fire Worship Sect!

Silver Flame Elder!

Upon hearing Li An's words, Duan Ru Feng narrowed his eyes as his eyes flashed coldly.

The Fire Worship Sect was the sect that was holding his daughter-in-law and granddaughter captive!

The person standing in front of him was an elder of that sect?

Swoosh!

Horror dawned on Rong Yuan's face. He did not expect the person leading this group of men was an elder from the Fire Worship Sect, one of the three great sects in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land!

Unlike Duan Ru Feng and Li An, most of the Black Armored Guards had never heard of the Fire Worship Sect so they remained calm. Naturally, there were some Black Armored Guards who had heard of the Fire Worship Sect. Most of these Black Armored Guards were Decurions and Centurions, including Tong Zhong.

Upon hearing Li An's words, they widened their eyes in horror.

This old man called Li An was actually an elder from the Fire Worship Sect?

Even then, they had no intention of retreating even after learning about his identity. Instead, they straightened their backs. It was as though they were all prepared to die for the Mansion Master and the Azure Cloud Mansion.

"I came here to bring Duan Ling Tian's family and friends to the Upper Province. I plan to use all of you as bait to lure Duan Ling Tian out of the Fire Worship Sect!" Li An spoke again, "If you want to blame someone, blame your son for this. He's the one who brought disaster to the Azure Cloud Mansion. He's the cause of the downfall of the Azure Cloud Mansion!" Li An's tone turned colder as he spoke. It felt as though the temperature in the surroundings had dropped by a few degrees.

Chapter 2052: Saint Devil Puppet!

“Tian’er? He went to the Fire Worship Sect?” Duan Ru Feng was stunned when he heard Li An’s words. He became worried immediately. However, when he heard Li An wanted to use him to lure his son, Duan Ling Tian, out of the Fire Worship Sect, he realized that his son was safe for the time being. At the very least, he was living quite well in the Fire Worship Sect to the point that this elder from the sect could not do anything to him at all. Otherwise, this Fire Worship Sect would not have needed to use him to lure his son out of the Fire Worship Sect!

Duan Ru Feng did not blame his son for bringing disaster to the Azure Cloud Mansion. Instead, he felt proud. His son would stand out no matter where he went! As a father, he was, naturally, proud of his son.

At this moment, a hearty laugh rang in the air. It came from Centurion Tong Zhong who stood among the group of Black Armored Guards. After his laughter died down, he glanced at Li An and mocked him unreservedly. “You’re an awe-inspiring elder from the Fire Worship Sect, but you have to resort to such a lowly tactic to deal with our Young Mansion Master. How pathetic! You said we should blame our Young Mansion Master for bringing disaster to our Azure Cloud Mansion and he’s the cause of the downfall of the Azure Cloud Mansion. Well, brothers, tell him! Is there anyone who’s angry at Young Mansion Master? Is there anyone of you who’s afraid of death?!” Tong Zhong asked loudly. His words roused the spirit of every Black Armored Guards present on the scene. It caused their blood to boil!

“We’re not angry!”

“We’re not angry!”

“We’re not afraid of death!”

“We’re not afraid of death!”

When Tong Zhong finished speaking, the Black Armored Guards yelled in reply. Their voices were thunderous and shook the air. The clouds billowed as though they were affected by their voices.

The group of Black Armored Guards emitted an imposing aura even though they might not be a match for the people from the Upper Province even if they all joined forces. However, they were fearless.

For the sake of Azure Cloud Mansion, for the sake of Lord Mansion Master, for the sake of Young Mansion Master, they would die with no regrets!

It was apparent Li An did not expect the situation to turn out this way. He wanted to see the people from the Azure Cloud Mansion cowering before him. Moreover, he wanted them to curse and blame Duan Ling Tian. He wanted them to sever their ties to the Azure Cloud Mansion.

Li An did not expect that the people from the Azure Cloud Mansion would not show any signs of fear or despair. They did not blame Duan Ling Tian nor did they intend to sever their ties to the Azure Cloud Mansion!

Li An became so furious that his face turned pale. This was completely different from what he had expected.

“Not afraid of death?” Li An took a deep breath as his eyes shone with killing intent. He smiled coldly and said, “Since all of you are not afraid of death, I’ll grant you your wish!” As soon as he finished speaking, he raised his hand and made a signal.

When the Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses from the Northern Plethora Sect standing behind Li An saw the signal, their eyes turned cold and hostile as they looked at the group of Black Armored Guards standing behind Duan Ru Feng and Ru Yan.

They were merely waiting for Li An’s order before they attack and annihilate the Black Armored Guards!

“Your words are really high-handed!” A cold voice suddenly spoke up as Li An was about to give his order to the powerhouses behind him. It caught Li An’s attention immediately.

Li An turned to look at the Mansion Master Duan Ru Feng of the Azure Cloud Mansion who had just spoken!

“You’ll soon find out whether my words are high-handed or not. You should count yourself lucky that you’re Duan Ling Tian’s father. Otherwise, you’ll die as well!” Li An looked at Duan Ru Feng before smiling coldly, “However, even if you don’t die today, you’ll still going to die after I use you to lure Duan Ling Tian out and kill him!” His voice was filled with killing intent.

“There’s no need to wait!” Duan Ru Feng said again as Li An dropped his right hand and was about to instruct Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses to attack. His voice shook people’s hearts like the thunderous sound of a bell ringing.

Duan Ru Feng’s voice stunned the Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses standing behind Li An who were about to attack. They all turned to look at Duan Ru Feng.

“Kill...” Li An spat out a word as his expression turned grave. This was because Duan Ru Feng had snatched the spotlight from him.

Duan Ru Feng who was completely shrouded in Devil Qi stood in the distance as his robe fluttered in the air. His long hair that had broken free from his hairband seemed like snakes as they fluttered in the air.

At the same time, Duan Ru Feng’s hands that seemed to burn with black flames began to make a series of complex signs.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

He slammed his hands against the air after making the complex signs, causing the air to tremble for a moment before the sound of explosions reverberated in the air.

“Huh?” As a powerhouse at the Fourth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, Li An’s perception was far better than ordinary people. He could clearly sense that when Duan Ru Feng slammed his hand against the air, it felt as though the air was trembling. Moreover, an ominous feeling began to rise in his heart as he sensed a dangerous aura.

‘What’s he trying to do?!’ Li An could not figure out what Duan Ru Feng was doing. He began to panic in his heart. It was as though he could sense something big was about to happen. He took a deep breath. His eyes were cold as his Saint Origin surged out of his body, trying to stop Duan Ru Feng.

“It’s too late!” Duan Ru Feng said in a timely manner as Li An’s Saint Origin surged out of his body. His voice was cold and brooked no arguments.

Boom!

As Duan Ru Feng made the last hand sign, Devil Qi surged out, distorting everyone’s sight. It quickly turned into a whirlpool. When the whirlpool appeared, one could sense the deep and tranquil darkness in the center of it. This darkness caused chills to run up people’s spines.

On top of that, the suction force from the whirlpool was not targeted at where Duan Ru Feng and the others were standing. It was targeted on the other side of where he stood!

“This is...” Li An and his men were not the only ones who were shocked by this scene, even Rong Yuan and the group of Black Armored Guards, including Tong Zhong, were shocked as well.

“W-What technique did Lord Mansion Master cast?” Rong Yuan’s eyes were widened in shock. This was his first time seeing his Mansion Master casting this technique.

“Come out!” Duan Ru Feng said emotionlessly as everyone’s attention was fixed on the whirlpool he had created. His voice was so cold that it made the atmosphere turn stifling.

As soon as Duan Ru Feng finished speaking, everyone was stunned when they saw what seemed to be titan emerging from the center of the whirlpool.

The titan was the size of a small hill. It emitted an oppressive and pure Devil Qi as it walked out in a neither slow nor hurried manner. It instantly caught everyone’s attention. The titan was more than ten meters tall. It possessed a humanoid form and seemed to be made of stones that were as dark as night. It had no facial features at all. It appeared extremely intimidating.

Li An was stunned when he saw the humanoid stone figure that was emitting Devil Qi, It was his first time seeing a monster like that. ‘What is this?!’ He could clearly sense the powerful energy from the humanoid stone figure. It was even more powerful than his own energy. However, he could not sense any signs of life on the humanoid stone figure at all.

“Combine!” Duan Ru Feng’s voice sounded again when everyone’s attention was fixed on the humanoid stone figure. It caused everyone to shift their attention to him again.

Under the watchful eyes of the others, Duan Ru Feng charged toward the humanoid stone figure.

As soon as Duan Ru Feng’s body made contact with the humanoid stone figure, a baffling sight appeared before everyone’s eyes.

When Duan Ru Feng’s body made contact with the humanoid stone figure, the stone figure began to emit Devil Qi that shrouded Duan Ru Feng’s body. In the next moment, the Devil Qi had disappeared and so did Duan Ru Feng.

As soon as Duan Ru Feng disappeared, one of the Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses standing behind Li An cried out in horror, “Saint Devil Puppet!” It was as though he had recalled something terrifying as he lost his composure.

“Saint Devil Puppet?” Everyone, including Li An, was stunned as the whirlpool slowly vanished.

Saint Devil Puppet?

They had heard of Human Puppets, Earth Puppets, and Heaven Puppets, but they had never heard of Saint Devil Puppets.

These three puppets were puppets mastered and controlled by Devil Cultivators. Among those three, Heaven Puppets were the most powerful!

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However, even the strongest Heaven Puppet only had strength comparable to a Martial Cultivator at the peak of the Quintessential Saint Stage! Faced with powerhouses at the Saint Celestial Stage and above, Heaven Puppets were nothing at all! For this reason, Devil Cultivators who excelled in controlling puppets would not use puppets when confronting Saint Celestial powerhouses since the puppets would only be a hindrance!

In fact, Li An had noticed earlier that the humanoid stone figure who was emitting an oppressive and pure Devil Qi was so strong that it was not inferior to him at all. However, when he discovered the humanoid stone figure was not sentient, he sighed in relief! However, when he saw Duan Ru Feng had disappeared, he instantly deduced that Duan Ru Feng had merged with the humanoid stone figure since the stone figure seemed to be sentient now.

Li An quickly turned back to look at the Northern Plethora Sect’s Saint Celestial powerhouse who had cried out in horror earlier and asked in a hurried tone, “Saint Devil Puppet? What’s a Saint Devil Puppet?”

The Saint Celestial powerhouse from the Northern Plethora Sect did not delay and instantly responded to Li An’s question, “Rumor has it that the last time a Saint Devil Puppet had appeared was during an era a long time ago. It was known as the Human-Devil Era.

“Human-Devil Era?” Li An could not help but narrow his eyes when he heard this.

Li An might not have heard of Saint Devil Puppets, but he was not unfamiliar with the Human-Devil Era. He knew that era was utterly chaotic. During that era, the Devil Clan had slaughtered their way out from the Land of Exile and caused rivers of blood to flow in the Dao Martial Saint Land.

In the end, all the human powerhouses in the Dao Martial Saint Land had joined forces before they finally defeated the Devil Clans and forced them to return to the Land of Exile.

“Yes,” the Celestial Stage powerhouse who came from the Northern Plethora Sect nodded before he said, “I’ve read about it from an ancient book. During the Human-Devil Era, some of the Devil Clans and the Devil Cultivators who cultivated the Devil Clan’s cultivation method knew a secret tactic that enabled them to summon Saint Devil Puppets! Saint Devil Puppets are different from Human, Earth, and Heaven Puppets. The three kinds of puppets were created by Devil Cultivators using humans. However, Saint Devil Puppets came from the Land of Exile. It’s said that only the Saint Land Devil Altar in the Land

of Exile could create Saint Devil Puppets!” His expression turned grave when he reached the end of his sentence.

“The weakest Saint Devil Puppets has strength comparable to powerhouses at the First Form of the Saint Celestial Stage while the strongest one has strength comparable to powerhouses at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!” The Northern Plethora Sect’s Saint Celestial Stage powerhouse looked at the humanoid stone figure, the Saint Devil Puppet, and said, “This Saint Devil Puppet is summoned from the Land of Exile by Mansion Master Duan Ru Feng of the Azure Cloud Mansion through a secret tactic. It’s been so long since the Human-Devil Era, I can’t believe there’s someone who knows the secret tactic to summon a Saint Devil Puppet! Although the Saint Devil Puppet is powerful, it’s not sentient. Only when it merges with its summoner that its true potential could be unleashed. The summoner would have full control of the puppet!” The Northern Plethora Sect’s Saint Celestial Stage powerhouse’s expression turned even graver when he finished speaking.

Swoosh!

Li An’s expression changed dramatically as soon as the Saint Celestial Stage powerhouse from the Northern Plethora Sect finished speaking.

The strength of the Saint Devil Puppet before Li An was definitely stronger and not weaker than him. He would still be able to deal with the Saint Devil Puppet if it was not sentient. However, the Saint Devil Puppet had sentience now that it had merged with Duan Ru Feng. Moreover, Duan Ru Feng had the strength of the Saint Devil Puppet at his disposal. This was certainly bad news to Li An.

“Saint Devil Puppet?!” The group of people from the Azure Cloud Mansion, including Rong Yuan and Tong Zhong, also heard the explanation by the Northern Plethora Sect’s Saint Celestial Stage powerhouse.

“Li An’s expression seems to have changed!”

“It seems like the Saint Devil Puppet that Lord Mansion Master controls is strong enough to threaten him. Otherwise, his expression wouldn’t have changed so abruptly.”

“You have a point!”

Rong Yuan, Tong Zhong, and the Black Armored Guards noticed this. They had an excited expression on their faces.

Although they were prepared to sacrifice their lives, naturally, if there was a chance, they wanted to live.

Everyone was afraid of death, including them as well!

However, in their hearts, there were some things that were much more important than their lives and were worthy of sacrificing their lives for.

“Li An, do you dare to fight with me?” Duan Ru Feng spoke in a thunderous voice at this moment. It caused pain in the ears of everyone present on the scene. His voice caught everyone’s attention.

The humanoid stone figure, the Devil Saint Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled, emitted a dense and pure Devil Qi. The purity of the Devil Qi was not something Devil Cultivators from the Dao Martial Saint Land possessed. Only real devils from the Devil Clan possessed such pure Devil Qi.

Saint Devil Puppets were created from the Saint Devil Altar in the Land of Exile. The Devil Qi it possessed was, naturally, pure and similar to those from the Devil Clan!

Currently, Duan Ru Feng who was controlling the Saint Devil Puppet whose Devil Qi was as pure as those from the Devil Clan had issued a challenge to Li An.

After Duan Ru Feng issued the challenge to Li An, not only did the people from the Azure Cloud Mansion turned to look at him, but even the Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses from the Northern Plethora Sect turned to look at him as well.

Everyone was curious if Li An would accept the challenge or not.

“Hurmph!” Li An refused to show his weakness when faced with Duan Ru Feng’s challenge. He snorted coldly and said contemptuously, “Duan Ru Feng, the difference between our strength is as wide as the sky. Even if you’re able to summon this Saint Devil Puppet from the Land of Exile, you’re nothing but trash to me. You’re not a match for me at all. How bold of you to challenge me. Why would I be afraid to accept your challenge?!” Based on Li An’s words, it was obvious he had accepted Duan Ru Feng’s challenge.

Battle!

After Li An agreed to the challenge, the atmosphere was tensed before a commotion broke out. Everyone was staring intently at the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled and Li An.

They were the main characters after all.

Whoosh!

Li An made his move without any warning at the speed of lightning. He charged furiously toward the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled. His speed was extremely fast!

One could sense his strength at the Fourth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!

Faced with the furious Li An, the Saint Devil Puppet controlled by Duan Ru Feng easily dodged Li An’s attack in an agile manner despite its clumsy appearance.

Under the watchful eyes of the others, Li An and the Saint Devil Puppet controlled by Duan Ru Feng began to battle in earnest.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

A series of thunderous explosions that seemed capable of shaking the Heaven reverberated in the air.

The Saint Devil Puppet controlled by Duan Ru Feng and Li An engaged in hand-to-hand combat. In the beginning, both of them were on even ground. Neither of them managed to gain the upper hand. However, as time continued to pass, Li An seemed to be getting weaker and weaker.

Naturally, Li An did not get weaker. It was Duan Ru Feng who had gained better control of the Saint Devil Puppet who had gotten stronger. It was only natural Li An would seem weaker in comparison.

Bang!

The sound of flesh being hit sounded in the air as the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled found a perfect opening and attacked Li An's weak point. Its attack landed heavily on Li An's chest. The attack sent Li An flying back with a bang like an arrow that had been shot out. He flew back toward the Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses, appearing wretched.

"Is this all there is to a Silver Flame Elder from the Fire Worship Sect!" Duan Ru Feng who was controlling the Saint Devil Puppet remarked nonchalantly. His voice was filled with disdain.

Li An was so infuriated he threw up a mouthful of blood when he heard Duan Ru Feng's disdainful words. The blood was dazzling and eye-catching! Naturally, Li An had thrown up blood due to the injury caused by the Saint Devil Puppet controlled by Duan Ru Feng.

Originally, he wanted to swallow this mouthful of blood but he could no longer endure it.

"Duan Ru Feng, don't be so smug! If that's the extent of Saint Devil Puppet's strength, I'm going to destroy this puppet and kill you! I'm not afraid Duan Ling Tian won't be lured out even if you're missing!" Li An said as he tried to force himself to stay calm. His eyes were narrowed as he spoke with killing intent.

Whoosh!

Somehow, a saber had appeared in Li An's hand.

This saber was blood-red as though it had been dyed in blood. The divine dragon carved on its hilt gave it a tyrannical aura.

The Asura Saber!

This was Li An's biggest trump card!

Chapter 2054: Li An's Ruthlessness

There were ten Super Saint Weapons in the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking. A few of the Saint Weapons specialized in attacking and killing and possessed extraordinary power that could overpower those Thousand Inscriptions Saint Weapons in the Dao Martial Saint Land. The Asura Saber was one of them!

The Asura Saber did not have special powers to suppress Devil Cultivators like the Devilseal Tablet that was also one of the Super Saint Weapons. It possessed a powerful force that specialized in attacking 10,000 Inscriptions Saint Weapons!

Currently, the Asura Saber was in Li An's possession. As soon as Li An held the saber, his body underwent an earth-shattering change in just a blink of an eye! Lightning-like bloody Qi could be seen in

his Saint Origin that shrouded his body. The oppressive aura he emitted was laced with intense killing intent.

If Li An was similar to a vicious beast prior to this, currently, he was not only a vicious beast, but he was a dangerous and bloodthirsty one as well. All of this was due to the Asura Saber that he held in his hand.

Li An was normal before he took the Asura Saber out. However, he had changed completely once he had taken the Asura Saber out.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

The expressions of Rong Yuan, Tong Zhong, and the Black Armored Guards in the Azure Cloud Mansion turned extremely grave when they felt the changes in Li An's aura. They finally realized this was Li An's true strength.

"This is..." At the same time, the group of Northern Plethora Sect's Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses standing behind Li An regained their senses. All of them were staring at the bloody saber that Li An wielded in confusion and disbelief.

The Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses from the Northern Plethora Sect finally recognized the saber in Li An's hands. One of them exclaimed in surprise, "The Asur..." Before he could finish speaking, he stopped abruptly. He had been killed.

Swish!

The ear-piercing noise of a saber in whistling in the air disappeared the moment it appeared. It was extremely terrifying.

In the next moment...

Spurt! Spurt! Spurt! Spurt! Spurt!

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It was not only the Northern Plethora Sect's Saint Celestial Stage powerhouse who had spoken was not the only one who was killed, but all of the Northern Plethora Sect's Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses standing behind Li An were cut in two at the waists by the bloody saber ray that disappeared the instant it appeared.

Blood spurted everywhere, dyeing the sky above the Azure Cloud Mansion red.

At this moment, many Black Armored Guards turned pale in fear.

The group of Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses had all been killed in just a blink of an eye! Moreover, after Li An had cut them into two at the waist, another saber ray shot out and pierced their heads, effectively destroying their souls as well.

All of the Northern Plethora Sect's Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses standing behind Li An had been killed by him! He had killed them because he did not wish for news of him possessing the famous Super Saint Weapon on the Ten Great Super Saint Weapons Ranking, the Asura Saber, to spread! For this

reason, he could only kill the group of Northern Plethora Sect's Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses following him.

When Li An brought the Asura Saber out, he already knew he would have to kill the Northern Plethora Sect's Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses standing behind him since they would recognize the Asura Saber. Before this people had a chance to spread word of this, he would kill them first. In order to maintain his possession of the Asura Saber, he was willing to do anything! Due to the reason the Asura Saber could change his life, he would not allow anyone to threaten his possession of the Asura Saber!

The Black Armored Guards, along with Rong Yuan and Tong Zhong, could not help but gasp when they saw Li An killing the powerhouses from the Upper Province. There were hints of dread in their eyes when they looked at him!

Li An could even kill his own men. What else could he not do?

"Li An is really ruthless!"

"He's too ruthless! Those people were his men. Not only did he kill them, but he even destroyed their souls. They wouldn't be able to reincarnate!"

"I wonder why Li An killed his own men!"

The Black Armored Guards whispered among themselves in confusion. Why did Li An kill his own men? There should be a reason for that, right?

"Li An only killed the powerhouses from the Upper Province standing behind him after he had taken the saber out. Is there something special about the bloody saber in his hands?"

"That saber seems like it's forged from blood. Don't tell me he needs to soak it in blood before he can unleash its true strength?"

"That's possible!"

The Black Armored Guards began to guess why Li An had killed his own men.

"The Asura Saber!" Duan Ru Feng who was controlling the Saint Devil Puppet said in shock.

Understanding dawned on the Black Armored Guards when they heard Duan Ru Feng's words.

The Asura Saber!

They were not unfamiliar with these words!

The Asura Saber was one of the legendary ten great Super Saint Weapons on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking. It excelled in killing, and its force was so strong that it could be considered as one of the top Saint Weapons in the Dao Martial Saint Land!

Rumor had it that if an ordinary Martial Cultivator at the peak of the Exemplary Saint Stage wielded the Asura Saber, he could easily kill a powerhouse at the Early Quintessential Saint Stage in just a second! Moreover, he even had a chance in defeating a powerhouse at the Intermediate Quintessential Saint Stage!

Based on this, one could tell how formidable the Asura Saber was!

The Mansion Master of the Azure Cloud Mansion had just said that the bloody saber that Li An wielded was the Asura Saber, one of the Saint Weapons on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking! How could they not feel shocked?

“The Asura Saber... I can’t believe that this elder from the Fire Worship Sect has the Asura Saber!”

“Does he need to perform a blood ritual on the Asura Saber before he uses it? Why haven’t I heard of this before?”

“It’s a renowned Super Saint Weapon on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking. It no surprise if one really has to perform a blood ritual before using the Asura Saber.”

“You have a point!”

After learning that the bloody saber in Li An’s hand was actually the famous Super Saint Weapon, the Asura Saber, that was ranked on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking, the Black Armored Guards sighed emotionally. Many of their expressions turned grave as well.

Although the Mansion Master of their Azure Cloud Mansion managed to gain the upper hand earlier, it was not by much.

Now that Li An had taken the Asura Saber, one of the famous ten great Super Saint Weapons on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking, out, his strength would be greatly boosted.

Under such circumstances, would the Mansion Master of their Azure Cloud Mansion still be able to overpower Li An like he did before?

All of them felt uncertain and worried about this.

“Y-you recognize the Asura Saber?” Li An narrowed his eyes when he heard Duan Ru Feng’s words. His heart felt heavy. He did not expect Duan Ru Feng would recognize the Asura Saber.

He had quickly made his move and killed the Northern Plethora Sect’s Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses because he was afraid they would reveal the name of the saber he had taken out. He did not want Duan Ru Feng and the others to find out he possessed the Asura Saber.

Who would have thought Duan Ru Feng would recognize the Asura Saber?

“Li An, if I’m not mistaken, you killed of them because you’re worried they would spread the news of you possessing the Asura Saber, right? Based on what I know, there’s no need to perform a blood ritual to use the Asura Saber,” Duan Ru Feng said nonchalantly when he heard Li An’s words.

Naturally, Duan Ru Feng only recognized the Asura Saber because of the memory the Devil Cultivator, Black Nether, had left behind when he occupied his body. There was information about the Asura Saber in Dark Nether’s memory.

The Asura Saber was in Black Nether's possession before as well. For this reason, he remembered the Asura Saber clearly. Due to this reason, Duan Ru Feng easily recognized the bloody saber in Li An's hand as one of the ten great Super Saint Weapons on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking!

"Duan Ru Feng!" Li An glared at Duan Ru Feng and said in a deep voice, "I must say your knowledge is indeed astonishing. However, it's not necessarily a good thing to know so much. Originally, I didn't plan to kill you so quickly, but it seems like I have no choice but to quickly kill you before you can speak of this. As for luring Duan Ling Tian out, I'll just have to use other family members and friends. I'm not afraid he won't fall for it even if you're not there!"

When Li An finished speaking, the bloody saber ray from the Asura Saber intensified.

Li An continued to say, "You and your Saint Devil Puppet are going to die now!"

Li An attacked as soon as he finished speaking.

Whoosh!

The sound of wind whistling in the air could be heard as Li An furiously charged toward the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled.

Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish!

At the same time, the sound of saber whistling in the air reverberated in the air as well.

Streaks of bloody saber ray appeared out of nowhere around the Saint Devil Puppet as though they were going to slice it into pieces!

'How powerful!' Although Duan Ru Feng knew how powerful the Asura Saber was, he was still taken aback when he saw Li An charging toward him with the Asura Saber in hand.

Chapter 2055: Another Super Saint Weapon!

Meanwhile, Duan Ru Feng discovered the Saint Devil Puppet he had summoned was no longer strong enough to fight Li An.

Since Li An had taken out the Asura Saber, his strength had increased by a level. His current strength was comparable to ordinary powerhouses at the Fifth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage! On the other hand, the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng had summoned only had strength on par with powerhouses at the Fourth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. There was a wide gap between their strength. Although Duan Ru Feng could control the Saint Devil Puppet as he pleased, he was still inferior to Li An who wielded the Asura Saber!

'It seems like I have no choice but to use that technique.' Duan Ru Feng recalled a forbidden secret tactic from Black Nether's memory when faced with Li An. The secret tactic was slightly similar to an assist-type Divine Ability.

However, the after-effects of this forbidden secret tactic were extremely harsh. If it was not because this was a life or death situation, Duan Ru Feng would not have used this tactic. The price he had to pay would be very high.

Based on the current situation, Duan Ru Feng was as good as dead. If he continued to hesitate, he would definitely be killed by Li An's saber.

'I thought summoning the Saint Devil Puppet would be enough to kill Li An. I can't believe he managed to obtain the Asura Saber, one of the Super Saint Weapons on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking!' Duan Ru Feng was annoyed when he thought about this. He was unwilling to use the forbidden secret tactic if he had a choice.

Rumble!

At the moment Duan Ru Feng was about to cast the forbidden secret tactic, a thunderous sound resonated in the sky.

In the next moment, a huge black shadow covered the sky and the sun. Wind blew violently as loud noises continued to resonate in the air.

Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish!

Meanwhile, bloody saber ray shot out of the Asura Saber that Li An wielded. The bloody saber ray was targeted at the Saint Devil Puppet. At this moment, Duan Ru Feng was still in the head of the Saint Devil Puppet. Li An had discovered this using his Divine Consciousness.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

However, a black mountain-sized object descended from the sky and intercepted the bloody saber ray before they landed on the head of the Saint Devil Puppet at the critical moment. It set off a series of explosions.

The bloody saber ray was destroyed by the gigantic black object before it shrank to the size of an adult's fist.

Upon closer inspection, one would discover it was a stamp seal. The bottom of the stamp seal was flat, but the upper part was carved into various shapes of mountain peaks. There were about 10,000 mountain peaks carved on the stamp seal.

"The 10,000 Mountains Seal?!" Duan Ru Feng was shocked when he saw the stamp seal. He instantly dismissed the idea of using the forbidden secret tactic.

There was information about the 10,000 Mountains Seal in Black Nether's memory as well. The 10,000 Mountains Seal was also one of the great Super Saint Weapons on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking. It was ranked in the top three among the ten great Super Saint Weapons.

Apart from possessing a strong attack force, it could shrink and grow as it pleased. For example, earlier it was as huge as a mountain when it descended from the sky, blocking the sky and the sun.

Duan Ru Feng did not expect that apart from being able to see the Asura Saber, he was also able to see the 10,000 Mountains Seal that was ranked on the Ten Great Saint Weapon Ranking as well! The 10,000 Mountains Seal was ranked a lot higher in comparison to the Asura Saber on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking.

Since Duan Ru Feng recognized the 10,000 Mountains Seal, as the Fire Worship Sect's Silver Flame Elder, it was only natural that Li An recognized it as well. His eyes widened in shock when he saw it. After a while, his eyes shone with greed. "The 10,000 Mountains Seal!"

The 10,000 Mountains Seal was much more powerful than the Super Saint Weapon, the Asura Saber! It was ranked in the top three of the Ten Great Saint Weapon Ranking after all.

Whoosh!

Li An did not hesitate as he moved at lightning speed to try and snatch the 10,000 Mountains Seal floating near him! However, he failed to get his hands on the stamp seal. Before he could even touch the 10,000 Mountains Seal, it disappeared in just a blink of an eye.

Whoosh!

When it appeared again, it was in the hands of a young man dressed in black who had seemingly appeared out of nowhere.

The black-clad young man had an aloof and wicked appearance. He held the 10,000 Mountains Seal as he looked at Duan Ru Feng, completely ignoring Li An. To be more precise, he was looking at the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled.

"Duan Ru Feng, do you know what you're doing?" The black-clad young man had a grim expression on his face as he looked at the Saint Devil Puppet.

"Dugu!" Duan Ru Feng was surprised when he saw the black-clad young man. Based on his tone, it was obvious he did not expect the 10,000 Mountains Seal to be in the possession of the black-clad young man.

"It's Leader Dugu from the Mountainshade Black Market!" Rong Yuan was momentarily stunned when he saw the black-clad young man. He was baffled. He was no stranger to the black-clad young man.

The black-clad young man was none other than Leader Dugu from the quasi third-rate force, the Mountainshade Black Market. He was the only person in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land who could rival the Mansion Master of Azure Cloud Mansion.

Rong Yuan did not expect to see Dugu here. Moreover, based on the strength he had demonstrated earlier, it seemed like he was not any weaker than the Saint Devil Puppet his Mansion Master had summoned.

"Duan Ru Feng, I'm asking if you know what you're doing?" Dugu asked coldly. It was as though he would not relent until he obtained the answer to his question.

"I know what I'm doing," Duan Ru Feng who was inside the Saint Devil Puppet responded to Dugu, "I know I risk rupturing the space barrier between our Realm and the Land of Exile by doing this, but I have no choice. If I don't summon the Saint Devil Puppet from the Land of Exile, I'm no match for this Fire Worship Sect's elder. The Devil Clan's legacy that I cultivate is different from yours. You might not need to rely on the Saint Devil Puppet, but I do!" Duan Ru Feng's tone brooked no argument.

Based on Duan Ru Feng's words, one could tell both him and the Mountainshade Black Market's Leader Dugu had obtained legacies from the Devil Clan even though they might be different.

The Devil Clan referred to real devils who came from the Land of Exile. They were all monstrously powerful. Ordinary humans could not compare to them. Devil Cultivators were people who had obtained the Devil Clan's legacies. During the Human-Devil Era, one could easily obtain legacies from the Devil Clan. However, as time passed, the present Devil Cultivators were only able to obtain legacies left behind by other Devil Cultivators. The legacies from the Devil Clan had gradually disappeared.

Naturally, there were some Devil Cultivators who managed to obtain the legacies from the Devil Clan that was left from the Human-Devil Era. Black Nether was someone who managed to obtain a legacy from the Devil Clan. Through that, Duan Ru Feng managed to obtain the legacy from the Devil Clan as well.

Leader Dugu from the Mountainshade Black Market had also obtained a legacy from the Devil Clan.

When both of these people who had obtained legacies from the Devil Clan met, they sensed a familiarity in each other. For this reason, they became rivals, continuously competing with each other until now.

The legacies they obtained were, naturally, different. The legacy Duan Ru Feng obtained was related to the Saint Devil Puppet. He was able to summon a Saint Devil Puppet from the Saint Devil Altar in the Land of Exile. The strength of the Saint Devil Puppet could even be as strong as someone who was at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Based on this, one could see how rare and valuable the legacy that Duan Ru Feng had obtained through Black Nether.

Since the Saint Devil Puppet was summoned from a different realm, it would naturally cause instability in the two realms when it was summoned. Moreover, it also carried the risk of causing a tear in the space barrier or even rupturing it. If the space barrier ruptured, the devils from the Land of Exile would be able to enter the Dao Martial Saint Land similar to the time during the Human-Devil Era!

For this reason, Dugu was persistent when he asked Duan Ru Feng if he knew what he was doing. By summoning the Saint Devil Puppet, Duan Ru Feng might be guilty of letting the devils in from the Land of Exile if the space barrier had ruptured.

"The Devil Clan's legacy?" Upon hearing Duan Ru Feng's words, Li An could not help but narrow his eyes. He had a baffled expression on his face. Naturally, he knew what Devil Clan's legacies were.

'So he obtained a legacy from the Devil Clan. No wonder he's able to summon a Saint Devil Puppet from the Saint Devil Altar in the Land of Exile!' Li An managed to figure things out at this moment.

The baffled expression on Li An's face gradually faded away. All of a sudden, his expression changed again as though he had noticed something. He noticed the black-clad young man who was holding the

10,000 Mountains Seal had turned to look at him intently. His eyes were cold and filled with killing intent.

“Thank you, Dugu.”

When Li An heard Duan Ru Feng’s words, his expression changed again.

Chapter 2056: A Storm Is Coming!

Li An, naturally, knew what it meant when the black-clad young man had glared at him with killing intent. It was not difficult to figure out with Duan Ru Feng thanking the black-clad young man as well.

It was just as Li An had expected. In the next moment, he noticed the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled was approaching him at a fast speed that generated a thunderous noise as the black-clad young man glared at him viciously.

“You’re Dugu? If you don’t interfere in this matter, I’ll recommend you to be a Bronze Flame Elder in the Fire Worship Sect,” Li An said after taking a deep breath, his hands were tightly gripping the Asura Saber. He felt that his offer was very tempting. “Based on your potential, you’ll eventually become a Silver Flame Elder like me in the future!”

Naturally, these were just empty promises. Li An planned to kill Dugu after he killed Duan Ru Feng. This was so he could obtain the 10,000 Mountains Seal in Dugu’s possession.

The 10,000 Mountains Seal was even more powerful than the Asura Saber he possessed. It was ranked in the top three on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking!

Although Dugu managed to destroy his attack earlier with the 10,000 Mountains Seal, he only managed to do so because the attack was not directed at him. Otherwise, it would have been impossible for him to destroy the attack.

In a one-on-one battle, Li An did not fear Duan Ru Feng and Dugu. However, if both of them joined forces, he knew he would not be a match for them!

“Enter the Fire Worship Sect and become trash like you? Do you really think I would want that?” Dugu smiled coldly when he heard Li An’s words. He spoke rudely to Li An without any signs of respect at all.

“You’re seeking death!” Dugu’s words had infuriated Li An. Li An felt like killing him immediately. However, he noticed the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng had summoned was fast approaching him with killing intent. He made a quick decision and decided to leave.

A wise man would not fight when the odds were against him. He had to leave for the time being. He would have to wait until Duan Ru Feng or Dugu was alone before he could kill them.

Unfortunately, imaginations were always more beautiful than reality.

Under such circumstances, would he be able to leave just because he wanted to?

Rumble!

As Li An tried to flee, a thunderous sound reverberated in the sky.

In the next moment, the 10,000 Mountains Seal grew into the size of a huge mountain in the distant sky before it descended. It emitted an extremely oppressive aura.

Rumble!

Although Li An had used the Asura Saber, he was still heavily injured by the 10,000 Mountains Seal since it had struck first. He appeared wretched as he threw up a mouthful of blood.

Rumble! Rumble! Rumble! Rumble! Rumble!

Meanwhile, Duan Ru Feng charged furiously at Li An with the Saint Devil Puppet. His speed was incredibly fast. It was as though he had divine help. Every step the Saint Devil Puppet took caused the air to tremble and explode. Every step seemed as though it landed on Li An's chest. He was horrified. The 10,000 Mountains Seal was above him, the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled was at his back, and Dugu stood in front of him. He knew it was going to be difficult to escape.

'I'll unleash all my strength!' Li An thought to himself as his eyes shone with determination.

He was not a kind person by nature. Now that he was backed into a corner, he, naturally, would not stand idly while death came for him.

'As long as I'm able to kill one of them, I no longer have anything to worry about!' The moment Li An thought of this, he turned around to face the Saint Devil Puppet that Duan Ru Feng controlled. It was obvious he thought Duan Ru Feng was the weaker of the two since he decided to kill him before he kills Dugu.

However, things did not go as he had expected them to.

Duan Ru Feng and Dugu who had always opposed each other seemed to understand each other very well when they joined forces. They moved in tandem as though they had divine help. Even twins might not understand each other so well!

Under such circumstances, it did not take long before Li An was injured again. Initially, he only suffered from minor injuries. However, as time passed, he was severely injured, causing him to have difficulty breathing.

After a while, Li An no longer possessed the killing intent he had earlier. He looked extremely wretched now.

"Dugu, if you join forces with me to kill Duan Ru Feng, I'll give you the Asura Saber!" Li An knew he would die if this continued. He quickly came up with a plan to save himself. He planned to use the Asura Saber to lure Dugu to his side. Unfortunately, it was destined that he would be disappointed.

"The Asura Saber? Do you think I'll be interested in a Super Saint Weapon that's not even comparable to the 10,000 Mountains Seal?" Dugu said disdainfully in response to Li An's offer. At the same time, the 10,000 Mountains Seal that he controlled crashed down abruptly on the defensive barrier that Li An had constructed using his Saint Origin. It shattered the defensive barrier immediately.

Barf!

Since Li An's defensive barrier that was constructed from his Saint Origin was destroyed, he, naturally, suffered from the backlash. He threw up a mouthful of blood, becoming even more injured.

After a while, Li An finally died under the joined attacks from Duan Ru Feng and Dugu.

An awe-inspiring Silver Flame Elder from the Fire Worship Sect, the First Silver Flame Elder of the Four Symbols Sanctums' Black Turtle Sanctum had died in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

If news of this spread, it would definitely cause a huge commotion in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

Apart from being a Silver Flame Elder in the Fire Worship Sect, Li An was a powerhouse at the Fourth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage as well. He was ranked at the 139th place on the Supreme Saint Ranking. He could also be considered as an elite powerhouse in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

Nonetheless, such a powerhouse had died in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land that many powerhouses from the Upper Province looked down on.

"That wretched saber of his is yours... I'll take his Spatial Ring instead!" Dugu said indifferently after he and Duan Ru Feng had killed Li An. He left immediately after he took Li An's Spatial Ring.

From the beginning until the end, he did not even spare a glance at the Asura Saber. No one knew if he really had no interest in the Asura Saber or if he had other motives.

"Thank you," Duan Ru Feng said as he stared at Dugu's back. After that, he turned to look at the Asura Saber.

Whoosh!

Duan Ru Feng quickly left the Saint Devil Puppet and grab the Asura Saber.

"Congratulations, Lord Mansion Master!"

"Congratulations, Lord Mansion Master!"

As Duan Ru Feng held the Asura Saber, the people from the Azure Cloud Mansion, including Rong Yuan and Tong Zhong, began to congratulate him.

'The Asura Saber!' Duan Ru Feng's eyes shone brilliantly as he looked at the Asura Saber in his hands.

This was no ordinary saber. It was the Asura Saber, one of the great Super Saint Weapons on the Ten Great Saint Weapons Ranking!

Duan Ru Feng's strength would be greatly boosted now that he had obtained the Asura Saber! This was definitely something for him to be happy about!

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Meanwhile, in the northern region of the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

There seemed to be a commotion where the Inter-province Transportation Formation was located.

Rumble!

Rumble!

The noises were thunderously loud that it horrified the Watcher guarding the area around the Inter-province Transportation Formation.

“What’s going on? What happened? SH*T!”

Horror dawned on him in the next instant.

The snow on the tall tall snow-capped mountain where the Inter-province Transportation Formation was located suddenly melted before the earth began to quake.

Crack! Crack! Crack! Crack! Crack!

Cracking sounds could be heard as the Watcher saw cracks appearing on the mountain where the Inter-province Transportation Formation was located. It did not take long for the mountain to crash down, effectively destroying the foundation of the Inter-province Transportation Formation.

“NOO!” The Watcher became even more horrified as though he had just recalled something. At this moment, he finally realized what the implications were.

Now that the foundation of the Inter-province Transportation Formation was destroyed, it meant that the Lower Province no longer had an Inter-province Transportation Formation. This meant he could no longer return to the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

How could he not be horrified?

Rumble! Rumble! Rumble! Rumble! Rumble!

The noises continued to reverberate in the air as the Watcher was lost in his fear.

After a while, he was shocked to see where the mountain had collapsed, the air trembled for a moment before whirlpools began to appear. The whirlpools churned at an extremely fast speed. Instead of possessing suction force, it was releasing waves of energy. It seemed as though it was absorbing things from the other side and releasing it on this side.

The Watcher narrowed his eyes as he saw a pair of ox horns emerging from one of the whirlpools.

The Watcher did not see wrongly. It was indeed a pair of ox horns.

After the two ox horns emerged, it was followed by an ox head. In just a blink of an eye, a monster appeared before him.

The monster was ridiculously huge and had a human body with an ox head.

“There are so many of them!” At the same time, the Watcher discovered many monsters with human bodies and oxen heads began to emerge from the whirlpools.

Chapter 2057: The Devil Clan’s Vanguard

Rumble! Rumble! Rumble! Rumble! Rumble!

Another series of ear-deafening noises entered the Watcher's ears, stunning him. He saw a whirlpool would appear in the air every time it rumbled. The whirlpools looked like fireworks in the air. It was dazzling and eye-catching. In just a blink of an eye, hundreds of whirlpools had appeared in the air. Monsters that appeared like minotaurs would emerge from the whirlpools. The whirlpools would disappear once a monster had emerged from it as though it had completed its task.

As hundreds of whirlpools disappeared, hundreds of monsters that looked like minotaurs had appeared as well.

Suddenly, the biggest monster among the group of minotaur-like monsters laughed loudly. It was about eight to ten meters tall. His laughter contained an energy that made the air in the surroundings vibrate.

The laughter of this monster had also caused the eardrums of the Watcher to rupture. It seemed as though he had lost all sanity as he began to bleed from all seven orifices.

"How powerful!" The Watcher's face was pale at this moment. A hint of terror could be seen in his eyes as he looked at the monster that was laughing.

The monster was as strong as the leader of the first-rate force the Watcher was from! Just the energy from his laughter was enough to injure a Martial Cultivator like him who was at the Quintessential Saint Stage to the point where he was bleeding from all seven orifices.

This was not something an ordinary person could have done.

"I can't believe that after several hundreds of thousands of years later, the warriors from the Ox Devil Clan would be the first to step on this rich land..." the monster that was eight to ten meters tall said loudly after he stopped laughing.

"Hundreds of thousands of years? The Ox Devil Clan?" The Watcher's eyes widened when he heard the monster's words. His body began to tremble as though he had recalled something.

"Could it be... Could this... monsters be from the Devil Clan from the legendary Land of Exile?" The Watcher had read about the Human-Devil Era from hundreds of thousands of years ago from an ancient book. That era had been extremely chaotic!

During that era, let alone a Quintessential Saint Stage Martial Cultivator, there were many powerhouses at the Saint Celestial Stage and above who died every day. They were killed by the devils from the Land of Exile.

During the Human-Devil Era, everyone would be horrified just hearing by hearing the word 'devil'.

Countless humans had died during the Great Human-Devil War before they were able to chase the devils back to the Land of Exile.

'What happened? It has only been hundreds of thousands of years, but these devils manage to make their way here from the Land of Exile? Don't tell me we're going to enter the Human-Devil Era again?' The moment the Watcher thought of this, various expressions flitted across his face. Terror could be seen in his eyes.

To humans, the Human-Devil Era was a huge disaster.

“Tenth elder, there’s a human there!” The Watcher heard a loud voice, causing him to regain his senses.

When the Watcher looked at the source of the voice, he realized he had been discovered by the monsters.

The monster had addressed the biggest monster as tenth elder. In just a blink of an eye, the tenth elder turned to look at the Watcher.

The Watcher trembled in fear as the monster stared at him. When he saw the monster making his way to him, he felt as though his legs had turned into lead, rendering him immobile. He had no energy to move at all.

The tenth elder of the Ox Devil Clan soon arrived before the Watcher. It glared at him with huge eyes and said in a thunderous voice, “Human, tell me about the current situation in the Saint Province Realm...”

The Watcher felt as though he was suffocating when faced with the tenth elder from the Ox Devil Clan. However, he still obediently told the monster about the current situation in the Dao Martial Saint Land. Although he had never heard of the Saint Province Realm, he knew the monster was referring to the realm he was in.

“The Dao Martial Saint Land has split in two? The powerhouses have gone to the Upper Province and the weak ones remain in the Lower Province?” The tenth elder of Ox Devil Clan muttered to himself when he heard the Watcher’s words. It did not seem shocked. It was as though he was just confirming something he had already known.

As a matter of fact, the tenth elder of the Ox Devil Clan knew about all these through Zhu Lu Qi who had been accidentally sent to the Land of Exile.

After learning about the situation in the Saint Province Realm from Zhu Lu Qi, under the monster’s coercion, it also learned about how Zhu Lu Qi had appeared in the Land of Exile through the Inter-province Transportation Formation!

Under Zhu Lu Qi’s guidance, he found the place where the space barrier was much weaker. It was near the Inter-province Transportation Formation in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. After that, it had gathered all the elite warriors from the Ox Devil Clan and forcefully tore the space barrier through sheer strength. That was how the monsters had managed to appear in the Dao Martial Saint Land.

Unfortunately, Zhu Lu Qi who had lost all use after he had revealed all the information he knew was killed by the tenth elder of the Ox Devil Clan.

“Not only that, the only Inter-province Transportation Formation linking the Lower Province to the Upper Province has just been destroyed...” The Watcher said in dismay.

“The Inter-province Transportation Formation is destroyed?” The tenth elder of the Ox Devil Clan was momentarily stunned when he heard this. However, a delighted expression appeared on his face soon after.

‘This means the Devil Clan can build up our energy in the Lower Province before we invade the Upper Province and unify the Saint Province Realm?!’ The moment the tenth elder of the Ox Devil Clan thought of this, he became extremely excited.

Previously, the Devil Clan was defeated because they did not make sufficient preparation. However, now, they could build their energy in the Lower Province and get stronger before they invade the Upper Province and unify the Saint Province Realm!

“Very good! Since you’ve given me good news, I’ll grant you a quick death!” As the tenth elder of the Ox Devil Clan looked at the Watcher, his right hand landed down on the Watcher, killing him.

After killing the Watcher, the tenth elder from the Ox Devil Clan opened its mouth and absorbed the vital blood and essence from the Watcher’s body that had yet to dissipate.

After a while, the Watcher’s body turned into a dried corpse.

“Warriors, the strongest person in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land is only at the Quintessential Saint Stage. Even the weakest among all you would be able to easily kill them!” The tenth elder of the Ox Devil Clan looked at the hundreds of Ox Devils that followed him to the Saint Province Realm and announced loudly, “From now on, you’re free to roam the land here and feast as you like! Before the other clans arrive, the Ox Devil Clan can occupy the places with the best resources!”

After the tenth elder of the Ox Devil Clan finished speaking, the Ox Devils broke out in a commotion. They were seething with excitement.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

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Hundreds of elite warriors from the Ox Devil Clan began to move out after receiving their order.

After the group of elite warriors from the Ox Devil Clan left, the tenth elder from the Ox Devil Clan muttered to himself, “The dawn of the Human-Devil Era is here again. This time, our Ox Devil Clan will become the vanguard of the Devil Clan and slaughter our way to the Saint Province Realm and open up the path for the Devil Clan! The day the Devil Clan invades this realm is coming!” In just a blink of an eye, it left the area as well.

The beginning of a huge catastrophe began to unfold in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land with the arrival of the Ox Devils.

Naturally, Duan Ling Tian who was in the Fire Worship Sect in the Upper Province was completely unaware of what was happening. He did not even know the Inter-province Transportation Formation that linked the Lower Province to the Upper Province had been destroyed.

Currently, it would not be easy for people to travel from the Lower Province to the Upper Province unless there was a powerhouse who excelled in Formations set up another Inter-province Transportation Formation in the Lower Province.

However, a powerhouse who could set up an Inter-province Transportation Formation only lived in the Upper Province. Even then, they were as rare as a phoenix's feather.

Naturally, there powerhouses like that in the Devil Clan as well. The devils would have to rely on these powerhouses to make their way to the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

No matter how powerful the people in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land were, they could no longer freely enter the Lower Province since the Inter-province Transportation Formation in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land had been destroyed.

One could say that the Upper Province and the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land were separated for good for the time being!

From now on, the people in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land could only enter the Lower Province depending on the Devil Clan's mood since only the devils were able to set up an Inter-province Transportation Formation in the Lower Province.

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In the Enforcement Hall of the Fire Worship Sect.

A few days had passed, but there was no movement from Dong Lin's side. Duan Ling Tian was quite surprised by this.

"Don't tell me Vice Hall Master Dong is going to let the matter of me humiliating his son go?"

A few days ago, Duan Ling Tian had unreservedly and openly humiliated Dong Lin by beating him up!

Chapter 2058: Ranking On The Supreme Saint Ranking!

Over twenty days had passed. Initially, Duan Ling Tian thought the Enforcement Hall's Vice Hall Master Dong Yuan Jin would look for trouble with him. However, he discovered not only did Dong Yuan Jin remain quiet, but even his son, Dong Lin, had remained quiet as well.

'It's a wonder news of what happened did not spread... It seems like the few Bronze Flame Elders who were present are too afraid to say anything because of Tian Dong and Dong Yuan Jin.' It was not difficult for Duan Ling Tian to figure out what had happened.

If it was twenty days ago, Duan Ling Tian might have personally spread word of this since he was extremely furious at Dong Lin. However, his anger had gradually disappeared. He could no longer be bothered about Dong Lin. Moreover, he would be leaving the Enforcement Hall tomorrow.

Duan Ling Tian planned to leave the Fire Worship Sect after he left the Enforcement Hall. This was so he could find a place to raise and improve his cultivation base and Innate Spiritual Root.

Ke'er and their daughter were in a precarious situation so he did not have much time left. At this moment, every second that passed was on Ke'er and their daughter's expense.

'I can finally leave...' The next day, Duan Ling Tian finally completed his service in the Enforcement Hall and was given permission to leave the hall. He had been waiting for this day for a month!

Meanwhile, the next group of true disciples who had come to serve in the Enforcement Hall had also arrived in the Main Hall.

When Duan Ling Tian was handing over his duty to a true disciple, the true disciple suddenly said, "Y-You're Senior Brother Ling Tian?!" He was clearly excited when he recognized Duan Ling Tian.

Currently, many disciples in the Fire Worship Sect regarded Duan Ling Tian as their idol!

In less than a year after Duan Ling Tian had joined the Fire Worship Sect, on top of becoming a true disciple, he was even ranked in the top five of the True Ranking. He was currently ranked fourth!

The top three disciples were all at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. This meant Duan Ling Tian who ranked fourth on the True Ranking was widely acknowledged as the strongest true disciple below the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage.

Most importantly, Duan Ling Tian managed to make it on the Supreme Saint Ranking. He was currently ranked at the 537th place on the Supreme Saint Ranking. He was ranked ahead of all Bronze Flame Elders and true disciples who were at the Second Form of the Saint Celestial Stage in the Fire Worship Sect.

Due to these reasons, Duan Ling Tian became the most popular prodigy in the Fire Worship Sect!

Duan Ling Tian nodded and only smiled in response to the excited true disciple standing before him. "From now on, you'll take over my previous duty."

"I'll do my best!" The true disciple said solemnly when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words.

As the other true disciples took over the duties from the previous group of true disciples, Duan Ling Tian and the others left the Main Hall of the Enforcement Hall.

Duan Ling Tian acted as though Liu Yun was a stranger to him. In everyone's eyes, the two of them were no longer friends.

"Junior Brother Ling Tian, I heard you humiliated Dong Lin and beat him up. Is it true?" Liu Yun suddenly asked through Voice Transmission.

Their fallout was a pretense after all. Liu Yun could not help but ask Duan Ling Tian through Voice Transmission about this matter since he was curious.

"Senior Brother Liu Yun, where did you hear this from?" Duan Ling Tian asked in return through Voice Transmission. He had been momentarily stunned when he heard Liu Yun's words.

Based on what Duan Ling Tian knew, this news was very well contained. He was surprised that Liu Yun had heard about it.

"I heard it from great-great-great-great grandfather. One of the Bronze Flame Elders who was present told him about it," Liu Yun replied through Voice Transmission. After that, he said, "However, he has forbidden me from spreading this news. Don't tell me it's true?"

"It's true," Duan Ling Tian replied, "At that time, Dong Lin brought Tian Dong along with him to teach me a lesson. In the end, Tian Dong didn't dare to harm because I had verbally threatened him. He could only watch as I taught Dong Lin a lesson."

Duan Ling Tian had simplified the incident. However, when Liu Yun heard him, he was extremely shocked.

Tian Dong? Naturally, he was not unfamiliar with this name. Tian Dong was the Enforcement Hall's First Silver Flame Elder. He was ranked at the 107th place on the Supreme Saint Ranking! Someone like that did not dare to harm Duan Ling Tian because of his verbal threats?

It took Liu Yun a long time before he regained his senses. He asked again, "Junior Brother Ling Tian, as far as I know, apart from being the Enforcement Hall's First Silver Flame Elder, Tian Dong has a quick temper as well. What did you threaten him with that he didn't even dare to harm you?"

"It's nothing really," Duan Ling Tian replied indifferently, "When I saw how he planned to teach me a lesson on Dong Lin's behalf, I told him that if he dares to lay a finger on me, I'll repay him by having a friendly match with his children and direct disciples if he doesn't kill me!"

"You call this nothing?" Liu Yun was speechless when he heard Duan Ling Tian's reply. He had threatened Tian Dong using his children and direct disciples, but he said it was nothing.

Although one should not involve family in matters such as this, Liu Yun did not think Duan Ling Tian was wrong. After all, Tian Dong had tried to look for trouble with him.

Would Duan Ling Tian threaten Tian Dong if he did not plan to teach him a lesson on Dong Lin's behalf?

"What happened after that? Did Vice Hall Master Dong come looking for trouble with you?" Liu Yun's expression turned grim when he mentioned Dong Yuan Jin's name.

Everyone knew how ruthless and persistent Dong Yuan Jin was.

"No." Duan Ling Tian shook his head. "Perhaps, he thinks his son is at fault. Coupled with the fact that the incident did not spread out, he probably couldn't be bothered to look for trouble with me."

"He thinks his son is at fault?" Liu Yun could not help but laugh when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. He said through Voice Transmission, "Junior Brother Ling Tian, Vice Hall Master Dong regards Dong Lin as his life. Perhaps, he hasn't made a move for now, but he'll eventually make a move! Perhaps, he's searching for a good opportunity to deal you a death blow. In the coming days, try not to leave the Fire Worship Sect. It would be akin to giving Dong Yuan Jin a chance to deal with you!" Liu Yun warned Duan Ling Tian solemnly.

"Alright," Duan Ling Tian answered readily despite having made up his mind to leave the Fire Worship Sect. If he did not leave the Fire Worship Sect, he would not be able to improve his Innate Spiritual Root.

Currently, he possessed a blue Innate Spiritual Root. It would be difficult for him to improve it in the Fire Worship Sect.

'That's right!' At this moment, an idea began to form in Duan Ling Tian's mind. He had thought of a good reason for him to leave the Fire Worship Sect. His idea would guarantee that the Enforcement Hall's Vice Hall Master Dong Yuan Jin and the Black Turtle Sanctum's First Silver Flame Elder Li An would not find out that he left the Fire Worship Sect. However, he needed someone's help to carry out his plan.

A figure soon emerged in Duan Ling Tian's mind. 'If he's willing to help, let alone Li An, even Dong Yuan Jin wouldn't suspect him!'

Duan Ling Tian sighed in relief after coming up with an idea to safely leave the Fire Worship Sect.

After they left the Enforcement Hall and were fast approaching the Saint Island's Central Square, the eight true disciples who served with Duan Ling Tian and Liu Yun began to leave one by one. Some of them descended in the Central Square, and some of them left in other directions.

Only one true disciple continued to travel with Duan Ling Tian and Liu Yun as they made their way out of the Saint Island. It was obvious this true disciple planned to return to his residence.

"Junior Brother Ling Tian, I'm going to look for Brother Mu. I'm sure he must have heard about our fallout, I'm going to explain things to him so he doesn't misunderstand!" Liu Yun bade Duan Ling Tian farewell and made his way to the Saint Land disciples' residence.

Only the other true disciple was left traveling with Duan Ling Tian at this moment.

When Duan Ling Tian was about to leave the Saint Island to return to his residence, a thunderous voice rang out from the Central Square. "Duan Ling Tian!"

Duan Ling Tian instinctively came to a halt with a frown on his face. He was certain this was his first time hearing this voice. However, the fury and hostility in this person's voice as he called out to him were palpable.

"Who is it?" Duan Ling Tian was confused. However, soon after, he saw two figures flying up from the Central Square toward him. With just a glance, he identified one of the two figures.

'Wen Yan?!' Duan Ling Tian raised his brow. He did not expect to see Wen Yan. However, he only looked at her indifferently before he shifted his eyes to the person next to her. 'This must be the person who had called out earlier.'

After Duan Ling Tian studied this person from head to toe, he confirmed this was his first time meeting this person.

At this moment, the true disciple who had served in the Enforcement Hall with Duan Ling Tian cried out, "Senior Brother Bu Hong!" When he saw the young man standing next to Wen Yan, he quickly put some distance between himself and Duan Ling Tian as though he was afraid he would be caught in the crossfire.

Chapter 2059: Slap!

Bu Hong?

Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes immediately when he heard the true disciple's words. Although he had never met this person before, he had certainly of his name.

Bu Hong was a true disciple ranked second on the True Ranking. He had broken through to the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage a few years ago. He was one of the strongest disciples among the true disciples in the Fire Worship Sect. Naturally, he was also one of the Eight Great Prodigies in the Fire Worship Sect. He was the direct disciple of the Sanctum Leader of the Azure Dragon Sanctum, and he was the senior brother of Wen Yan who was previously ranked ninth on the True Ranking.

Since Duan Ling Tian had been ranked on the True Ranking, those who were ranked from the fourth to the bottom of the ranking had dropped a place. The person who was ranked last on the True Ranking previously had been eliminated from the rankings.

Currently, Wen Yan was ranked tenth on the True Ranking. Her ranking was in a precarious state since she could be kicked out of the top ten at any time.

"He ranks second on the True Ranking, and his cultivation base is at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage?" Duan Ling Tian's eyes narrowed when he learned the young man standing next to Wen Yan was Bu Hong. He knew they had come with ill intention. Bu Hong had come to avenge Wen Yan!

Duan Ling Tian had already prepared himself for this.

'I can't believe Bu Hong returned while I was serving in the Enforcement Hall.' Duan Ling Tian was certain about this. Otherwise, Bu Hong would not have waited until now to look for him.

"Senior Brother, he's Duan Ling Tian!" From afar, Wen Yan pointed at Duan Ling Tian as she said to Bu Hong in an aggrieved tone, "Previously, he slapped me numerous times, publicly humiliating me. It's acceptable if I'm the only one who's humiliated. However, his actions implicated you and master as well. To those who don't know better, they'd think that you and master can't even protect me!" Wen Yan complained tearfully to Bu Hong who was standing next to her, fanning his flame of anger.

"Don't worry, junior sister. I'll definitely avenge you!" Bu Hong cast a doting look at her when he heard her tearful complaint.

When Bu Hong shifted his glance from Wen Yan to Duan Ling Tian who was standing in the distance, his eyes gleamed with terrifying killing intent.

It was obvious Wen Yan had succeeded in fanning the flames of Bu Hong's anger.

In the Fire Worship Sect, the two most important people to Bu Hong were his junior sister and master. The true disciple, Duan Ling Tian who was standing in the distance, did not only humiliate his junior sister, but humiliated his master indirectly as well. How could he not be furious?

The Saint Land disciples standing behind Bu Hong and Wen Yan were undoubtedly here to watch the show.

Bu Hong had shouted so loudly earlier, it was only obvious everyone was alerted by it.

When they discovered today was the day Duan Ling Tian left the Enforcement Hall, they all knew they would have a show to watch.

“Senior Brother Bu Hong seems really angry...”

“How could he not be angry? Senior Sister Wen Yan is his only junior sister. She was humiliated by Duan Ling Tian, it would be strange if he isn’t angry!”

“That’s right! If it wasn’t for the fact that Senior Brother Bu Hong wasn’t in the Fire Worship Sect before this, he would have looked for Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian a long time ago. With Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian’s current strength, I’m afraid he’s no match for Senior Brother Bu Hong.”

“Of course! Senior Brother Bu Hong is ranked second on the Fire Worship Sect’s True Ranking. His cultivation base has already entered the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage a few years ago. How can Duan Ling Tian who’s only ranked fourth compare to him?”

“It seems like Duan Ling Tian’s doomed today. His innate talent might be quite good, but currently, his strength is far from being comparable to Senior Brother Bu Hong.”

The Saint Land disciples standing behind Bu Hong and Wen Yan who came to watch the show began to discuss among themselves. Naturally, there was a minority who had differing opinions.

“Hurmph! If I’m not mistaken, previously when Duan Ling Tian was faced with Yang Wen and Wen Yan, all of you thought Duan Ling Tian was inferior as well, right? However, what was the result in the end?”

“That’s right! All of you were given a figurative slap in the face by Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian in the end, right?”

“I admit I used to look down on Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian. However, every time I was so embarrassed when I was proven wrong. Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian doesn’t adhere to common logic!”

“It doesn’t matter who all of you think will win. I have faith in Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian. I think he’s amazing. So what if his opponent is a powerhouse at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage? He would have to yield in the end as well!”

Although there were a few people who supported Duan Ling Tian, their voices were overwhelmed by other people’s voices since there were only a few of them who thought that way. Most people felt that Duan Ling Tian was doomed now that he had met Bu Hong.

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Meanwhile, Bu Hong and Wen Yan approached Duan Ling Tian and stood opposite him.

“Duan Ling Tian, do you remember how you humiliated me that day?” Wen Yan said as she stared at Duan Ling Tian coldly.

“Humiliate you? Did I?” Duan Ling Tian said calmly as though the matter was so insignificant he could not remember it.

Wen Yan was furious when she heard this. Her expression changed immediately as she said coldly, “Duan Ling Tian, you’re a man. Don’t tell me you’re going to deny it?!”

“Deny what?” Duan Ling Tian continued to ask indifferently, “Are you saying that I humiliated you?”

“Didn’t you?!” Wen Yan’s gaze turned cold. Her voice was cold as well when she said, “Don’t tell me you’ve forgotten about how you publicly slapped me and humiliated me. Don’t tell me you don’t think it’s an act of humiliation?” Her expression turned grave when she recounted what had happened. In the end, she was so infuriated that she had an ugly expression on her face!

“Oh, you’re talking about that. I would’ve forgotten about it if you didn’t mention it.” Upon hearing Wen Yan’s words, Duan Ling Tian feigned a knowing expression as though he had just remembered this incident. He said, “It wasn’t my intention to humiliate you when I slapped you...” He paused for a moment before he continued to say, “I think it’s beneath me to even make an effort to humiliate you. I only slapped you because you’re an eyesore. That’s all there is to it!”

Duan Ling Tian’s words infuriated Wen Yan, causing her face to turn red. She was rendered speechless for a long time.

Clamor!

The Saint Land disciples who came to watch the show broke out in an uproar when they heard Duan Ling Tian’s words.

“Duan Ling Tian is really amazing! To think he’s bold enough to say it’s beneath him to even make an effort to humiliate Wen Yan?”

“Doesn’t he know the person standing next to Wen Yan is Senior Brother Bu Hong. Look! Senior Brother Bu Hong’s expression is extremely grim now,” someone said as he clicked his tongue.

“It probably didn’t occur to Senior Brother Bu Hong that Duan Ling Tian would dare to act so arrogantly in front of him. There’s a possibility Duan Ling Tian doesn’t know that’s Senior Brother Bu Hong!”

“Perhaps, Duan Ling Tian doesn’t know that he’s in danger right now!”

Bu Hong’s expression turned extremely grave as the Saint Land disciples discussed among themselves.

“You’re Duan Ling Tian?” Bu Hong’s eyes gleamed with terrifying killing intent as he stared at Duan Ling Tian intently like a snake looking at its prey.

However, Duan Ling Tian merely ignored Bu Hong. Instead, he looked at Wen Yan and said indifferently, “Wen Yan, you’re no longer afraid of me because you have someone helping you now?”

“So what if that’s the case?” Wen Yan replied icily. Excitement rose in her heart when she saw Duan Ling Tian ignored her senior brother. She knew her senior brother was completely furious now.

Duan Ling Tian brought this upon himself. In her opinion, Duan Ling Tian was seeking death by ignoring her senior brother!

“So what if that’s the case?” Duan Ling Tian laughed when he heard Wen Yan’s words. He stopped laughing after a short time. His eyes turned cold as he suddenly charged toward Wen Yan, catching her off guard.

“Let me tell you, even if your senior brother is next to you, I can still slap you if I want to!” Duan Ling Tian’s voice rang in the air, catching everyone present on the scene by surprise. He moved as fast as a bolt of lightning.

Bu Hong was momentarily stunned. He quickly regained his senses as his expression turned grimmer. He yelled, “You’re seeking death!” He quickly charged at Duan Ling Tian as well. It was apparent he was trying to stop Duan Ling Tian from slapping Wen Yan.

Slap!

The crisp sound of a slap rang in the air. One side of Wen Yan’s face began to swell.

Bu Hong did not manage to come to her rescue.

The Saint Land disciples present on the scene were shocked.

They did not expect Duan Ling Tian was so bold that he dared to slap Wen Yan in front of Bu Hong. He had slapped her so hard that her face had swelled up.

The Saint Land disciples could not help but gasp when they saw this. Many of them looked at Duan Ling Tian with a hint of pity in their eyes.

“Die!” An angry voice reverberated in the air, causing the Saint Land disciples to shift their attention to Bu Hong’s lightning-fast figure.

At this moment, Bu Hong was only a foot away from Duan Ling Tian!

Chapter 2060: Bu Hong, Indigo Innate Spiritual Root!

When Bu Hong was merely a foot away from Duan Ling Tian, vast energy surged out of his body and transformed into a behemoth with an opened mouth before it attempted to swallow Duan Ling Tian whole.

“Elementary Devouring Tactic!”

“Black Turtle’s Barrier!”

At this moment, the Sun Saint Energy that had been accumulating in Duan Ling Tian’s body surged out and formed a whirlpool, absorbing the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy in the surroundings. It raised his Sun Saint Energy. After that, his Sun Saint Energy began to spread out and formed a huge Black Turtle’s silhouette around Duan Ling Tian’s body. The barrier formed from his Sun Saint Origin was extremely solid.

The technique Duan Ling Tian had cast was none other than the Black Turtle’s Barrier, the number one defensive Divine Ability in the Fire Worship Sect!

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

As soon as the Black Turtle’s Barrier appeared, the vast energy that surged out of Bu Hong’s body slammed against the barrier violently, setting off a thunderous noise. The air trembled around the barrier.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

Ripples began to form in the air before it turned into a flurry of hurricanes. The robes of everyone present on the scene fluttered and the hairband of many Saint Land disciples who were standing close to the fight snapped, their loose hair fluttering in the air.

Under the watchful eyes of the others, the Black Turtle's Barrier Duan Ling Tian had formed began to shatter when Bu Hong's energy slammed against it. After all, it had sustained quite some damage.

'As expected of a powerhouse at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. He's really amazing!' Duan Ling Tian praised inwardly when he saw his Black Turtle's Barrier had been destroyed.

Duan Ling Tian's current cultivation base was no longer at the Early Exemplary Saint Stage like how it was before he went to serve in the Enforcement Hall. He had made two breakthroughs one after another in the last month and raised his cultivation base to the Mastery Exemplary Saint Stage! His Sun Saint Energy, naturally, had also been raised to the Mastery Exemplary Saint Stage. With the help of the Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic, his current Sun Saint Energy was at the First Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!

Apart from that, Duan Ling Tian had also further comprehended his other Divine Ability, the Black Turtle's Barrier during the past month. The strength of the barrier was a lot stronger compared to before. Even then, it still could not withstand Bu Hong's angry attack!

Naturally, Duan Ling Tian knew this was not the extent of Bu Hong's strength. After all, he had yet to use his Saint Weapon.

"10,000 Swords Territory!" When Bu Hong destroyed the Black Turtle Barrier, Duan Ling Tian instantly cast his Territory to counter Bu Hong's attack.

Swoosh!

The 10,000 Swords Territory shrouded Duan Ling Tian and Bu Hong. The brilliant golden light from the Territory blocked the vision of the group of Saint Land disciples, including Wen Yan who had retreated far away for the time being.

"Territory?" Bu Hong smiled disdainfully when he realized he was shrouded by Duan Ling Tian's Territory. The Saint Origin on his body flashed before it transformed into an armor covering his body.

Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish! Swish!

10,000 golden rays shot out in within Duan Ling Tian's 10,000 Swords Territory. After it had blocked Bu Hong's attack, it continued to attack him. However, it did not even leave a dent on his armor.

"Defensive Divine Ability?" Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes when he saw this. He realized Bu Hong had cast a defensive Divine Ability. Moreover, it seemed like the Divine Ability was not a medium-grade Divine Ability.

"Duan Ling Tian, although my defensive Divine Ability isn't as powerful as your defensive Divine Ability, the Black Turtle's Barrier, it's still a high-grade defensive Divine Ability! Your Territory isn't enough to

break my defense.” Bu Hong sneered. “I must admit you’re quite strong. It’s unfortunate that your opponent is me. Although I’m unable to kill or cripple you due to the rules in the Fire Worship Sect, I’m going to humiliate you and make you wish you’re dead! I’m going to slap you a thousand times and make you crawl between my legs!” His voice turned colder as he continued to say, “I’d like to see how you’re going to raise your head in the sect at that time. This is the price you’ll have to pay for humiliating my junior sister and slapping her in front of me!” Bu Hong sounded confident as though he already knew the outcome of the fight.

“Slap me a thousand times? Make me crawl between your legs?” Duan Ling Tian’s eyes narrowed when he heard Bu Hong’s words. His eyes flashed coldly. At this moment, killing intent began to rise from his body. “Well, I’d like to see if you’re capable of that!” His voice was cold when he spoke, causing the temperature in the surroundings to drop a few degrees.

“You’ll see soon enough!” Bu Hong smirked when he heard Duan Ling Tian’s words. His Saint Origin contained hints of bloody Qi as it skyrocketed. He was preparing to cast the precious Divine Ability in the Azure Dragon Sanctum.

The precious Divine Ability in the Azure Dragon Sanctum shared some similarities with the dragon clan’s inherited Divine Ability, the True Form Beserkfication! After going through Beserkfication, one’s strength and speed would be greatly boosted. Naturally, the aftereffects were harsh as well.

“You don’t stand a chance at all!” Duan Ling Tian said coldly just before Bu Hong cast the Divine Ability from the Azure Dragon Sanctum. His voice brooked no argument. It was as though he was certain of his victory.

Bloody Qi surged out of Bu Hong’s body as he prepared to cast the Divine Ability from the Azure Dragon Sanctum...

All of a sudden, during the critical moment...

Swish!

The ear-piercing sound of a sword whistling in the air rang in Bu Hong’s ears, causing fear to rise in his heart. It distracted him for a moment, resulting in his failure to cast the Divine Ability from the Azure Dragon Sanctum in time.

Spurt!

Spurt!

Meanwhile, Bu Hong only felt a sharp pain in his arms and legs as though they had been pierced. As the pain continued to spread, he calmed himself down. He focused his eyes and he saw the shadow of a sword rapidly making its way back to Duan Ling Tian.

The Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage was also known as the Spiritual Eye Form! Once one had broken through to the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, one’s eyes would transform into Spiritual Eyes. The Spiritual Eyes granted one extraordinary eyesight.

From the beginning until the end, the only thing Bu Hong managed to catch was the shadow of the sword. He could not see the sword clearly, but he knew instinctively that it was no ordinary sword.

“SH*T!” Bu Hong saw a flash before his eyes when his attention was focused on the shadow of the sword.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian sported a pair of flaming golden wings on his back. He had arrived before Bu Hong in just a blink of an eye.

Bu Hong instinctively moved to dodge Duan Ling Tian. However, he discovered the pain in his arms and legs slowed down his movement a lot! At this moment, he finally realized he was severely injured.

“Soul Attack?!” With his Spiritual eyes, Bu Hong saw a streak of light shot out of Duan Ling Tian’s left eye. The streak of light was in the form of a Divine Dragon. The streak of light shot out and pierced the space between his brows, heading for his soul. Although Bu Hong’s soul was strong enough to withstand Duan Ling Tian’s soul attack, he was stunned by Duan Ling Tian’s attack.

While Bu Hong was stunned, his armor that was formed by a high-grade defensive Divine Ability began to dim a little.

Boom!

Duan Ling Tian’s eyes turned cold suddenly. He pushed his palms out before it slammed on Bu Hong’s armor, setting off a thunderous noise.

Crack!

Bu Hong’s armor shattered immediately. The remnant of Duan Ling Tian’s attack landed on Bu Hong’s head, knocking him out immediately.

“Elder Huo, is there anyone with a cultivation base at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage watching outside of my Territory?” Duan Ling Tian hurriedly called out to Elder Huo who was in the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda. A hint of anxiety could be seen in his eyes when he spoke.

“No,” Elder Huo replied after a while.

Duan Ling Tian sighed in relief when he heard Elder Huo’s words. Then, he turned to look at the unconscious Bu Hong whom he held in his hands.

“Elder Huo, help me devour his Innate Spiritual Root please!” Duan Ling Tian said as his eyes shone brightly.

Apart from being ranked second on the True Ranking, Bu Hong was also ranked at the 421st place on the Supreme Saint Ranking! He was not old and could be considered fairly young in the Fire Worship Sect. He was widely acknowledged as the Second Prodigy in the Fire Worship Sect since he had an extraordinary innate talent. He possessed an indigo Innate Spiritual Root.

Duan Ling Tian knew about all these. For this reason, he had attacked first to injure Bu Hong so he could gain the upper hand. He had his eyes on Bu Hong’s Innate Spiritual Root after all.