

Chapter 2351 A Mysterious Case Without Clues

“Senior Feng Qing Yang?” Duan Ling Tian raised an eyebrow as he studied Chen Yi Ru. He saw a hint of reverence in Chen Yi Ru’s eyes. However, he could tell the reverence he felt was not directed toward him. For this reason, he finally realized Chen Yi Ru had changed his mind and sworn on the lightning penalty oath without any hesitation due to Feng Qing Yang.

When Chen Yi Ru’s two followers saw their master acknowledging Duan Ling Tian as his master, they quickly came over and bowed at Duan Ling Tian. “Greetings, master!” Their lord’s master was, naturally, their master as well.

Unfortunately, Duan Ling Tian did not even look at them. He turned to Ke’er, Duan Si Ling, and Gan Ru Yan before he said with a slight smile on his face, “Let’s go to the Fire Worship Sect!” He did not wait for their replies before he lifted his hand and used an invisible force to bring them along with him. They traveled to the western region of the Upper Province like an explosive shell fired from a mortar!

Swoosh!

Although Duan Ling Tian did not use any movement Divine Ability, his speed was comparable to Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials just by using his internal force that had been raised by his assist-type Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic. In just a blink of an eye, Duan Ling Tian had turned into a black dot in the distance.

When Chen Yi Ru saw this, he said, “Let’s go!” He brought the skinny and burly middle-aged men with him as he rushed to catch up to Duan Ling Tian. As he moved, he cast various kinds of movement techniques, but his speed was only on par with Duan Ling Tian’s speed.

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Duan Si Ling had an excited expression on her face as she gesticulated wildly. “Daddy, you were so amazing earlier! That old man is so strong, and yet, you defeated him so easily. Moreover, he even willingly acknowledged you as his master!” She was so excited that it seemed as though she was the one who had accomplished this feat.

Although Ke’er did not say anything, her eyes were filled with awe as well.

“Si Ling, if you cultivate diligently, you’ll be as strong as me in the future.” Duan Ling Tian smiled as he patted Duan Si Ling’s head. Although he was used to the adoration from his daughter and his wife, he still enjoyed it very much.

Meanwhile, Gan Ru Yan stared at the happy family with a hint of disappointment. She felt like she did not belong here. ‘In just a few years, his strength has improved so much...’ She suddenly remembered the time when the purple-clad young man was helpless and insignificant when faced with her. At that time, he could only look at her helplessly and unwillingly as she took her sister, his wife, away from him. Currently, his strength had far surpassed hers. Perhaps, in his eyes now, she was also an insignificant

person. After a while, her thoughts drifted again. 'Is he planning to return to the Fire Worship Sect to look for Sect Leader Tang and avenge Elder Huo?'

Gan Ru Yan would never expect that Duan Ling Tian was not only going to seek revenge for Elder Huo from Tang Xuan, but he also planned to annihilate the Fire Worship Sect now that he found out he was the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, the First Absolute of the Seven Absolutes, and the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect. The position of Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect came with a huge responsibility. He had decided that before he ascended, he was going to annihilate the three great sects in the Upper Province to avenge the disciples from Seven Absolute Sects. He was going to make sure no traces were left of the three great sects in the mundane realm.

Gan Ru Yan continued thinking to herself, 'I really didn't expect him to be the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny and the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect!' She was in shock when Duan Ling Tian told them about this. In fact, initially, she had thought he was joking with them. She only completely believed him when she heard him responding to Chen Yi Ru earlier when Chen Yi Ru asked if his sword technique was from Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. She was even more convinced when she saw the previously hesitant Chen Yi Ru acknowledging him as his master.

'Previously, rumors were going around saying that he had joined the Fire Worship Sect as a spy... Could it be true?' After a while, she shook her head, dismissing the thought. 'No. He joined the sect for Ke'er. There's no reason for him to join the Fire Worship Sect even if he's the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect.'

Many thoughts flashed through Gan Ru Yan's mind at this moment. 'If my master and those in the sect find out that he's the successor to the Fog Rain Progeny and the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect, they would definitely be shocked. All of them will be out of his blood when they find out about this. However, with his current strength, I don't think there's any need for him to fear anyone. I wonder if our sect has any Bodiless Celestial?'

Gan Ru Yan had learned about Bodiless Celestials when she was in the Fire Worship Sect. However, she was not certain if there were any Bodiless Celestials in the sect. "If the sect has Bodiless Celestials, I wonder how strong they are? If they're stronger, I'm afraid..." She did not dare to continue her line of thought.

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After Duan Ling Tian and Chen Yi Ru had left...

A few figures could be seen crawling out from underneath the rubbles. All of them had a look of terror on their faces. Earlier, they did not even have time to react when the shockwave from the saber ray had crashed over them. Due to their strength and luck, they did not die in this place like many others did. These people were not in the vicinity of the battle earlier so they did not know about Duan Ling Tian and Chen Yi Ru.

"This..." They were shocked when they took in the sight before them. The city was in ruins. No buildings were left standing. Everything had turned into rubble. Everywhere they looked, miles and miles of desolate land and rubble were the only things to be seen.

"What happened?"

“I...I’ve no idea!”

“That saber ray... destroyed the entire city!”

“Who did this? Was it a powerhouse at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage or an Eminent Celestial?”

“No way! Even an Eminent Celestial isn’t capable of this feat. I’ve read an ancient book that described the strength of an Eminent Celestial. They’re definitely not capable of this level of destruction unless a dozen of them joined forces and unleashed the attack.”

“More than a dozen of Eminent Celestials? Impossible. It’s rare to even see one Eminent Celestial. How can there be a dozen?”

To many survivors in the city, what had happened would remain a mystery forever. However, they were certain the cause of the destruction of the city was not nature. It was done by humans.

However, who was so powerful? None of them had the answer to this. They were unaware that the person who destroyed the city was Chen Yi Ru, a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

Chen Yi Ru’s Cleansing World Saber was an attack that did not distinguish between friends and foes. It had swept out and killed those within 1,000 meters radius before it continued to sweep out and destroy the city. In fact, there were almost no survivors within a few thousand meters radius. Those who were further away and were stronger had better luck.

Therefore, other than Duan Ling Tian and Chen Yi Ru’s groups, no one knew about the battle between Duan Ling Tian and Chen Yi Ru. If they kept this between them, this would remain a mystery forever.

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Currently, Duan Ling Tian, Chen Yi Ru, and the others were making their way to the western region of the Upper Province.

Swoosh!

As soon as Duan Ling Tian felt the effect from the assist-type Divine Ability weakening, he would cast it again to replenish and increase the strength of his Celestial Origin Energy so his strength would be at its peak at all times. For this reason, he was traveling at an incredibly fast speed. After repeatedly casting the Elementary Devouring Tactic, he discovered that by continuously casting it, it was draining his spiritual energy. If he had only cast it a few times, it did not consume too much spiritual energy.

For this reason, Duan Ling Tian stopped casting the assist-type Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic, and slowed down. He murmured to himself, ‘It’s fine this way. It just so happens that I have some questions for him!’

Chapter 2352 Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials

Since Duan Ling Tian had slowed down, Chen Yi Ru, the Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, finally managed to catch up. However, he did not dare to move in front of Duan Ling Tian. Instead, he just followed closely behind. This was only natural since Duan Ling Tian was his master.

While they were traveling, Duan Ling Tian asked Chen Yi Ru, "Earlier, I heard those people say you're also called Chen San Dao?" From the beginning until the end, he did not look at Chen Yi Ru at all when he spoke, it was as though he was talking to the air.

Chen Yi Ru would have been furious if someone else spoke to him in this manner. However, when faced with Duan Ling Tian, he was as meek as a cat. He nodded and responded obediently, "Yes, master."

Duan Ling Tian said indifferently, "From now on, I'll just call you San Dao... Is that okay?"

"Of course." Since Chen Yi Ru had already sworn on the lightning penalty oath and acknowledged Duan Ling Tian as his master, he, naturally, would not go against Duan Ling Tian's wish. Let alone calling him San Dao, even if Duan Ling Tian wanted to call him an idiot, he could only say yes.

Duan Ling Tian said, "I have some questions for you."

"Yes, master. What do you want to know?" Chen Yi Ru replied, an I-will-tell-you-all-I-know expression appeared on his face.

"How many Bodiless Celestials are there in the Dao Martial Saint Land?" Duan Ling Tian asked. If he did not encounter Liao Nai Jiang, the master of the Patriarch of the Human-Devil clan, he would not have known that powerful beings such as the Bodiless Celestials existed. In the past, similar to many others, he thought Eminent Celestials were the most powerful beings in the mundane realms. He felt like a frog in the well when he learned about the existence of Bodiless Celestials.

"Master, this is a difficult question." Chen Yi Ru was surprised Duan Ling Tian would ask such a question. He smiled bitterly as he said, "I'm not certain about the exact number of Bodiless Celestials in the Upper Province of Dao Martial Saint Land. All I know is there are more than 100 Bodiless Celestials here..."

"You don't know? Aren't you a Bodiless Celestial?" Duan Ling Tian frowned. Since Chen Yi Ru was a Bodiless Celestial, he thought Chen Yi Ru would know things like that.

"Master, although I'm a Bodiless Celestial, I don't interact much with the other Bodiless Celestials. In fact, most Bodiless Celestials don't interact much with one another. What I do know is the youngest Bodiless Celestial is less than 1,000 years old while the oldest is probably about 7,000 to 8,000 years old," Chen Yi Ru patiently explained, "Ever since I failed the Celestial Ascension Tribulation and became a Bodiless Celestial, I've only met about ten Bodiless Celestials. Most of the time, I'm either traveling alone or in closed-door cultivation, waiting for the Bodiless Celestial Tribulation once every 1,000 years." Then, he added inwardly, 'However, this time I was unlucky and met you...' Naturally, he did not dare voice it out.

"I see." Duan Ling Tian seemed interested in this as he continued to ask, "Does this mean most Bodiless Celestials travel around the Dao Martial Saint Land a lot?"

"Yes." Chen Yi Ru nodded. "Apart from cultivating, we usually roam the Dao Martial Saint Land..."

“If that’s the case, why do so few people know about Bodiless Celestials?” Duan Ling Tian asked curiously. He was really puzzled by this. After all, prior to meeting Liao Nai Jiang, the master of the Patriarch of the Human-Devil clan, he had no idea that Bodiless Celestials existed. Moreover, when he was in the bustling city earlier, he discovered that many people did not know about Bodiless Celestials as well. He still remembered the baffled expression on their faces when they heard about Bodiless Celestials.

“Master, it’s not that we want to hide our identities... However, the dragon and phoenix clans have forbidden us from revealing ourselves.” Chen Yi Ru smiled bitterly.

“The dragon and phoenix clans?” Duan Ling Tian frowned. “They forbade the Bodiless Celestials from revealing themselves? How are they capable of issuing orders to Bodiless Celestials? Based on what I know, although the dragon and phoenix clan are relatively strong, they still can’t compare to the three great sects.”

Duan Ling Tian found this baffling. He had, naturally, heard about the dragon and phoenix clan before. Although they were only slightly weaker than the three great sects, they were on different levels. However, Chen Yi Ru had just said that the dragon and phoenix clan had issued a gag order to Bodiless Celestials! Bodiless Celestials were the strongest in the mundane realms. A Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial was already stronger than an Eminent Celestial who was about to ascend. As for a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, even two Eminent Celestials would not be able to kill him! After all, Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial could even tear open the void. This was something only those from the Devata Realm were capable of. There was no need to mention those who were even stronger like the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, and Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials! Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, especially, was exceptionally rare. How strong were the dragon and phoenix clans to be able to order the Bodiless Celestials around?

“Master, those people who say the dragon and phoenix clans are weaker than the three great sects don’t know any better. However, that’s what the dragon and phoenix clans want people to believe... The truth is, the dragon and phoenix clans are the strongest force in the Dao Martial Saint Land.” Chen Yi Ru smiled bitterly before he continued to say, “To a certain extent, the three great sects are the puppets, and the dragon and phoenix clans are the puppet masters!”

Chen Yi Ru’s words thoroughly shocked Duan Ling Tian. He felt as though the door to the new world had just been opened to him. The dragon and phoenix clans were pulling the strings behind the three great sects? How was that possible? In the history of the Upper Province, there were many recorded conflicts between the dragon and phoenix clans and the three great sects.

Chen Yi Ru continued to say, “Moreover, even the current sect leaders of the three great sects are unaware that the dragon and phoenix clans are pulling the strings from behind the scene. They’re unaware that their sects only managed to grow to this stage due to the dragon and phoenix clans. This is no secret among Bodiless Celestials.” Chen Yi Ru answered. When he saw the frown on Duan Ling Tian’s face, he continued to say, “In the beginning, the three great sects had good relationships with the dragon and phoenix clan. However, after ten generations of sect leaders had come and gone, their

relationships with the dragon and phoenix clans were nonexistent. At that time, they had become strong enough to stand on their own. Coupled with the discreet help from the dragon and phoenix clans, they became the three great sects in the Dao Martial Saint Land.”

Chen Yi Ru paused and looked at Duan Ling Tian at this moment. After a while, he began to speak again, “Master, as the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny and the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect, you should know the history of the sect very well, right? When the Sword Saint, Senior Feng Qing Yang, was still around, the three great sects were completely suppressed by him. Even if the three great sects joined forces, they still wouldn’t be able to stop him should he wish to annihilate them. However, do you know why the Seven Absolutes Sect couldn’t completely annihilate the three great sects?” His eyes were filled with reverence when he spoke about this.

“Isn’t it because Senior Feng Qing Yang didn’t want to annihilate them? It’s said that he wanted the three great sects around so they could serve as a challenge to the disciples from the Seven Absolutes Sect.” Duan Ling Tian parroted the conversation he had heard in the restaurant. To be honest, he did not know how to respond when Chen Yi Ru said as the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect he must be well-versed with the history of the sect. There was no way he could disclose to Chen Yi Ru that he only learned about the connection between him and the Seven Absolutes Sect just a few hours ago, right?

“Master, those are just rumors...” Chen Yi Ru revealed with gleaming eyes. “The truth is Senior Feng Qing Yang did not destroy the three great sects back then because the dragon and phoenix clans had interfered! The dragon and phoenix clan sent many Bodiless Celestials to stop him. Many of those Bodiless Celestials were Seven and Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials!”

Duan Ling Tian was shocked when he heard Chen Yi Ru’s words. Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials?

Chapter 2353 Sudden Shock

“The dragon and phoenix clans have Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials?” Duan Ling Tian looked at Chen Yi Ru in shock. Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials were closest in power to Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. Although Duan Ling Tian was quite certain he would be a match for Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials after he successfully comprehended the fifth stage of the Supreme Sword Dao Mental Cultivation’s Sovereign Heart Sword, the Heart Sword Amalgamation, and completely mastered all his Divine Abilities, he did not even think about fighting with an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial! He did not think he would be a match for an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial before he ascended the Devata Realm and became a True Celestial.

“In the past, both the dragon and phoenix clans certainly had Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial,” Chen Yi Ru replied respectfully, “And I’m certain, presently, they have Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials as well.”

When Duan Ling Tian heard this, he inhaled audibly. Even now, the dragon and phoenix clans had Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials? This was extremely shocking! While he was in the Lower Province, he learned that in the Human-Devil clan, there was little to no Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. In other words, the strongest powerhouses in the history of the Human-Devil clan were Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials! This should be the case for humans as well. The strongest human should be an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. After all, it was extremely difficult to become a Nine Tribulation Bodiless

Celestial, this was true for humans and those in the Devil Clans. How could he not feel shocked when Chen Yi Ru said the dragon and phoenix clans had Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials?

Duan Ling Tian thought to himself, 'It makes sense why they're able to control the Bodiless Celestials in the Dao Martial Saint Land if they have Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials.'

At this time, Chen Yi Ru unknowingly verbalized the thought in Duan Ling Tian's mind. "Since the dragon and phoenix clans have Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, the rest of the Bodiless Celestials, including myself, naturally, don't dare to disobey... After all, there are many examples where Bodiless Celestials who refused to obey the order were killed!"

It was just as Duan Ling Tian had thought. Since the dragon and phoenix clans had such formidable powerhouses, it was no surprise they could make the Bodiless Celestials in the Dao Martial Saint Land listen to them.

"The Fire Worship Sect is a puppet of the dragon and phoenix clans?" Gan Ru Yan gasped after she heard the conversation between Duan Ling Tian and Chen Yi Ru. As a disciple of Fire Worship Sect, she found this difficult to accept. Moreover, it was not only the Fire Worship Sect, but the other two sects were also puppets of the dragon and phoenix clans? As much as she could not accept this, she knew Chen Yi Ru who had sworn on the lightning penalty oath to acknowledge Duan Ling Tian as his master had no reason to lie. Even if he wanted to lie, it would be impossible for him to do so.

Although Duan Ling Tian was still shocked by the revelation about the dragon and phoenix clans, he tried to calm down and asked, "How many Bodiless Celestials are there in each of the three great sects?"

Chen Yi Ru shook his head. "The three great sects have no Bodiless Celestials."

"No Bodiless Celestials?" Duan Ling Tian widened his eyes and said skeptically, "How's this possible? Based on what I know, there were many who failed the Celestial Ascension Tribulation in the Fire Worship Sect. Don't tell me none of them became a Bodiless Celestial?"

"No Bodiless Celestials?" Gan Ru Yan found this difficult to believe, or maybe she was unwilling to believe it.

How could there be no Bodiless Celestials in the three great sects? Based on their long histories, it was almost impossible for them not to have Bodiless Celestials.

"The three great sects have been around for a very long time, naturally, there are many who had become Bodiless Celestials after failing the Celestial Ascension Tribulation," Chen Yi Ru explained patiently, "However, whenever Bodiless Celestials appear in the three great sects, they would be brought to the dragon and phoenix clans to swear on the lightning penalty oath to serve the clans! Those who refused would be killed! The dragon and phoenix clans do this because they don't want the three great sects to grow too powerful since it will lead to loss of control of the sects. They disdain those who are not Bodiless Celestial, and they don't want to have anything to do with them. So they can only control the Bodiless Celestials. This is why the three great sects have no Bodiless Celestials in the sect."

Duan Ling Tian felt as though he had learned a lot from his conversation with Chen Yi Ru. "So that's how it is!"

Gan Ru Yan also felt that she had learned a lot. "As it turns out, all the Bodiless Celestials in the Fire Worship Sect have been brought away by the dragon and phoenix clans..." After a while, she subconsciously turned to look at Duan Ling Tian as she thought to herself, 'Since there are no Bodiless Celestials in the sect, I don't have to worry about the danger upon our return to the sect.'

Gan Ru Yan was not the only one who was worried about the possibility of the Fire Worship Sect having Bodiless Celestials. Ke'er was extremely worried about Duan Ling Tian's safety when they returned to the Fire Worship Sect. "The Fire Worship Sect has no Bodiless Celestial?" She sighed in relief when she heard Chen Yi Ru said there were no Bodiless Celestials in the Fire Worship Sect.

"Almost all Bodiless Celestials know of the relationships between the dragon and phoenix clans and the three great sects. For this reason, they dare not simply make a move against the three great sects!" Chen Yi Ru added.

Duan Ling Tian nodded. He had thought about this as well. Currently, he was feeling pressured. Based on Chen Yi Ru's words, the three great sects were protected by the dragon and phoenix clans. The dragon and phoenix clans had Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. Since he planned to eradicate the three great sects, conflict with both the dragon and phoenix clan was inevitable. He realized how naive he was to think it would be easy to eradicate the three great sects. This was too sudden and shocking!

"Dragon clan... Phoenix clan..." Duan Ling Tian took a deep breath to calm down, a determined expression could be seen on his face.

"Brother Tian, even Senior Feng Qing Yang was unable to completely eradicate the three great sects... Please don't feel pressured." Ke'er instantly comforted Duan Ling Tian. She was, naturally, very attuned to Duan Ling Tian's thoughts and emotions.

"Hmm." Duan Ling Tian slightly nodded when he heard Ke'er's words of comfort. Although the expression on his face had disappeared, in his heart, he still felt extremely unwilling to give up.

Ke'er's words thoroughly shocked Gan Ru Yan. She whirled around to look at Duan Ling Tian before she asked, "You... You plan on eradicating the three great sects? Even the Fire Worship Sect?"

Duan Ling Tian glanced at Gan Ru Yan indifferently as he replied, "The three great sects have killed so many disciples from the Seven Absolutes Sect, as the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect, it's only natural that I want to eradicate them!"

"You...you..." Gan Ru Yan was speechless. She could not find any words to refute Duan Ling Tian.

Chen Yi Ru was also shocked when he learned about this. "Master, you want to eradicate the three great sects?"

"Hmm." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

"Master, I'm afraid it's not wise for you to attempt such a thing" Chen Yi Ru smiled bitterly. "During that time, even after Senior Feng Qing Yang killed an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the dragon

clan, he was still unable to eradicate the three great sects! The strength and foundation of both dragon and phoenix clans are beyond our imagination!”

“Senior Feng Qing Yang killed an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the dragon clan?” Duan Ling Tian’s eyes brightened when he heard this.

“How’s that possible?!” Gan Ru Yan asked in disbelief, “Based on what I know, Senior Feng Qing Yang from the Seven Absolutes Sect wasn’t a Bodiless Celestial. He was an Eminent Celestial... How could an Eminent Celestial kill an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?”

“Madam,” Chen Yi Ru lowered his head and said respectfully, “Most people in the Dao Martial Saint Land might not know this, but this is no secret to Bodiless Celestials...”

Chapter 2354 I, Duan Ling Tian, Am Back!

Usually, Duan Ling Tian would definitely correct Chen Yi Ru when he mistook Gan Ru Yan as his woman and addressed her as madam. However, he did not bother this time due to the bomb that Chen Yi Ru dropped regarding Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. He had come to a halt, staring at Chen Yi Ru.

Ke’er, Duan Si Ling, and Gan Ru Yan, naturally, stopped moving as well since Duan Ling Tian was the one who was carrying them with his force.

When Chen Yi Ru and his two followers saw Duan Ling Tian had stopped moving, they followed suit.

Everyone was staring at Chen Yi Ru at this time. They were clearly very intrigued by the events of the past. He did not want to keep them waiting so he quickly said, “At that time, when Senior Feng Qing Yang intended to eradicate the three great sects, the dragon and phoenix clans sent five Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials and two Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials to stop him! He fought all seven Bodiless Celestials on his own. He managed to kill two of the Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials from the phoenix clan and one Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial and one Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the dragon clan... He was, naturally, severely injured, but he managed to retreat in time. Most of the Bodiless Celestials thought Senior Feng Qing Yang could ignore the threats from the dragon and phoenix clan and eradicate the three great sects once he recovered from his injuries. However, before he could fully recover, one of the Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials from the phoenix clan managed to overcome the Bodiless Celestial Tribulation and became a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!” His voice became lower when he reached the end of his sentence.

Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

Shock and disbelief appeared in Duan Ling Tian’s eyes when he heard Chen Yi Ru mentioned a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. A Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial was truly someone who stood at the peak in the mundane realms. Even in the Devil Clans with their tremendously long history, there was only a handful of Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. Based on that, it was not difficult for Duan Ling Tian to guess there were not many Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials among the humans as well. For this reason, he was surprised to hear there was a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in the phoenix clan during Senior Feng Qing Yang’s time.

“So the reason why Senior Feng Qing Yang failed to eradicate three great sects is due to the phoenix clan’s Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?” Duan Ling Tian asked. Senior Feng Qing Yang managed to kill

an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial after becoming an Eminent Celestial. How terrifyingly strong! He thought to himself, 'Even if I cast the Elementary Devouring Tactic and comprehended all five stages of the Supreme Sword Dao Mental Cultivation Method, the Sovereign Heart Sword, my strength would at most be on par with a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial! At that time I'll be close to my ascension. Let alone an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, it would be difficult for me to kill a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.'

Duan Ling Tian was surprised that Feng Qing Yang managed to kill an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial even though he was only an Eminent Celestial. He could not figure out how Feng Qing Yang had accomplished such a feat!

"Well, that's part of the reason." Chen Yi Ru nodded. "If Senior Feng Qing Yang intended to escape, even the Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial couldn't stop him... For this reason, Senior Feng Qing Yang eventually reached an agreement with the dragon and phoenix clans; Senior Feng Qing Yang would no longer attack the three great sects, and the dragon and phoenix clans promised to not interfere in the matter between the Seven Absolutes Sect and the three great sects as long as the Seven Absolutes Sect doesn't destroy the three great sects."

Duan Ling Tian nodded. This perfectly explained why Senior Feng Qing Yang did not eradicate the three great sects.

"Master." Chen Yi Ru seemed to have remembered something at this moment. He looked at Duan Ling Tian and reminded him solemnly, "Due to the pact between the dragon clan, the phoenix clan, and Feng Qing Yang, the dragon and phoenix clans have left the Seven Absolutes Sect alone... However, if someone as powerful as Senior Feng Qing Yang appears again in the Seven Absolutes Sect, they would definitely interfere even if they don't eradicate the sect. With your current strength, it's easy for you to eradicate the three great sects. However, the dragon and phoenix clans definitely would not sit around and watch as you do so." He did not want Duan Ling Tian to get on the dragon and phoenix clan's bad side. After all, Duan Ling Tian might not be able to survive even if his strength was comparable to a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

"Ok." Duan Ling Tian nodded solemnly as a wave of helplessness washed over him. He was on a high previously when he left the city. He thought he could rush back to the Fire Worship Sect and kill Tang Xuan, the Sect Leader of the Fire Worship Sect before eradicating the sect. After that, he would move to the Black Kshetra Sect and the Heaven Divination Sect. He wanted to avenge the disciples from the Seven Absolutes Sect who were killed by the three great sects. This was his duty as the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect! Who knew the three great sects would have such strong supporters?

'The dragon and phoenix clans can easily rebuild the three great sects even if I manage to eradicate the sect before anyone discovers it. Moreover, it's extremely risky since the dragon and phoenix clans would definitely target the Seven Absolutes Sect once they discover the truth!' Many thoughts flashed in Duan Ling Tian's mind at this moment. It might be easy for him to eradicate the three great sects, but it was difficult to deal with the dragon and phoenix clans. 'Unless I can overpower all the Bodiless Celestials in the dragon and phoenix clans, it's not wise for me to eradicate the three great sects.' No matter how unwilling he felt, he had to accept the reality.

When Duan Ling Tian regained his senses, his eyes were filled with rage. 'Even if I can't eradicate the three great sects, Tang Xuan, the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, must die!'

Duan Ling Tian vented all his anger and frustration on Tang Xuan at this moment. Since he feared the dragon and phoenix clan, he could not eradicate the Fire Worship Sect. However, killing the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect was not off the table. According to the pact, the dragon and phoenix clans would not intervene as long as the three great sects remained.

As the fire of fury raged in Duan Ling Tian, he said to the three ladies, "Let's go!"

Chen Yi Ru and his two followers quickly followed along.

Gan Ru Yan was still lost in her thoughts when Duan Ling Tian continued bringing them along to the Fire Worship Sect. 'That Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang was only an Eminent Celestial, and yet, he managed to kill an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? Moreover, he was even able to escape from a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!'

Duan Ling Tian and his companions traveled at an incredibly fast speed. It did not take long before they arrived in the western region of the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. After that, it took even less time for them to arrive at the Fire Worship Sect's estate.

"Fire Worship Sect... I, Duan Ling Tian, am back!" Duan Ling Tian's eyes gleamed brightly like the stars as he looked at the Fire Worship Sect's estate in front of him.

Swoosh!

Duan Ling Tian brought Ke'er and the others and entered the Fire Worship Sect's estate. He quickly flew past the Four Symbol Sanctums to the Fire Worship Sect's Saint Land.

Swoosh!

Chen Yi Ru and his two followers, naturally, followed closely behind.

Gan Ru Yan was looking at the Fire Worship Sect's Saint Land, reminiscing about the past, when...

"Tang Xuan! Come out!" A thunderous voice rang in the air. It spread through the Four Symbol Sanctums and the Saint Land.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian flew past the clouds above the Fire Worship Sect's Saint Land before he arrived at a floating island that was located at the top.

This floating island was the cultivation place of the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, Tang Xuan.

It had been quite a few years since Duan Ling Tian was here. He did not feel nostalgic, he only felt sorrow now that he was back here. This was where Elder Huo had sacrificed himself so he and the girls could escape from Tang Xuan to the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land!

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'Tang Xuan! Come out!'

These words reverberated thunderously through the Fire Worship Sect's estate!

Chapter 2355 Leaving the Fire Worship Sec

Tang Xuan!

Get out!!

These words echoed thunderously through the Fire Worship Sect, causing an uproar.

Who dared to speak so audaciously? Did they not know who Tang Xuan was? Tang Xuan was the high and mighty Sect Leader of the Fire Worship Sect. He was a powerhouse whose cultivation base was at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Apart from that, he was also ranked fourth on the Supreme Saint Ranking! How arrogant was this person who had broken into the Fire Worship Sect and summoned the sect leader in such away?

"Does this guy have a death wish? He dares to provoke Lord Sect Leader in this way!"

Many people in the Fire Worship Sect made the same remark. They thought this person who had broken into the Fire Worship Sect had a death wish.

"With the Lord Sect Leader's current strength, apart from Nie Wu Tian who ranks number one on the Supreme Saint Ranking, even the Heaven Divination Sect's Great Oracle or Black Kshetra Sect's Supreme Elder wouldn't dare to act in this manner when they come to our sect!"

Many people were curious.

"Is he seeking death?"

In the Fire Worship Sect's Black Turtle Sanctum and Saint Land, many people found the voice familiar.

"Don't you think the voice sounds somewhat familiar?"

"I know who it sounds like!" Someone cried out, "This voice... sounds like Guardian Ling Tian!"

"Guardian Ling Tian? Y-you're right! It does sound like him!"

More and more people began to figure out the owner of the voice.

"However, it's unlikely to be him, right? I don't think he would be so daring even though he had a conflict with Lord Sect Leader previously"

"I don't think it's Guardian Ling Tian as well... It might be someone who sounds like him!"

"Let alone people who sound the same, there are many people who are carbon copies of each other in this world."

Although many people in the Fire Worship Sect's estate thought that the voice sounded like their Guardian Duan Ling Tian, most of them thought it was only someone who sounded like him.

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Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

As soon as Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, several figures flew out from the floating islands beneath him.

When Gan Ru Yan saw one of the figures, she cried out excitedly, "Master!"

One of them was obviously Gan Ru Yan's master, Guardian Qing Huo of the Fire Worship Sect!

When the green-clad old man heard his direct disciple's voice, a wave of joy rose in his heart like a tsunami, threatening to overwhelm him. However, he forcibly suppressed his joy and maintained an indifferent expression. He sent a Voice Transmission to Gan Ru Yan. "It's fine that you left with him, but why would you come back? Don't you know it's dangerous?" His voice was filled with concern when he spoke. After all, he had been Gan Ru Yan's master for so long, he had long treated her like his daughter. Although he was happy that she had returned, he could not help but worry. Previously, their sect leader had left Guardian Ling Tian with no choice but to leave the sect due to the issue with the Saint Girl. He and the other three Guardians disapproved of their sect leader's action since they thought Duan Ling Tian's presence in the sect was beneficial to the sect. However, there was nothing they could have done since they knew how obstinate their sect leader could be. Their sect leader had viewed the Saint Girl as the reincarnation of a goddess. Naturally, he would not let the matter go. Now that his direct disciple had returned with Duan Ling Tian, how could he not feel nervous?

"Master, don't worry... I'll be safe with him here." Gan Ru Yan shook her head and replied through Voice Transmission when she heard her master's words. Her voice was calm and she did not seem worried at all.

"Guardian Ling Tian?!"

Meanwhile, the other three Guardians of Fire Worship Sect, Zi Feng, Hong Yun, and Leng Ying, who had come with Qing Huo, looked at Duan Ling Tian disapprovingly. Even if Duan Ling Tian was extremely powerful, he was still second to their sect leader. How could he behave in such a rude manner toward their sect leader? Not only did he address the sect leader by his name, but he even dared to speak in such a commanding tone. How could he recklessly disregard the rules in the Fire Worship Sect?

Qing Huo was the one who broke the silence first. "Guardian Ling Tian, you've finally returned."

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded indifferently. He had a good impression of Qing Huo. Moreover, he was the master of his wife's sister. He, naturally, would not ignore Qing Huo since Qing Huo had taken the initiative to greet him even though he was capable of killing Qing Huo with just a flick of his fingers.

At this moment, Guardian Leng Ying stepped forward and glared at Duan Ling Tian. "Guardian Ling Tian! Even if you don't have to adhere to most of the rules as a Guardian, you still shouldn't disrespect Lord Sect Leader. You must be punished for this!" He was the former Hall Master of the Enforcement Hall after all. He was a stickler for rules. He could not bear watching Duan Ling Tian act so arrogantly before their sect leader.

Although Zi Feng and Hong Yun did not say a word, the disapproval on their faces revealed their thoughts.

“Guardian of the Fire Worship Sect?” Duan Ling Tian chuckled when he heard Leng Yin’s words. After a while, his gaze turned steely as he said, “I, Duan Ling Tian, hereby announce that I’m officially leaving the Fire Worship Sect. I’m no longer a Guardian of the Fire Worship Sect!” His words rang through the Fire Worship Sect’s estate again. Everyone in the sect heard his words clearly.

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‘I, Duan Ling Tian, hereby announce that I’m officially leaving the Fire Worship Sect. I’m no longer a guardian of the Fire Worship Sect!’

‘I, Duan Ling Tian, hereby announce that I’m officially leaving the Fire Worship Sect. I’m no longer a guardian of the Fire Worship Sect!’

These words echoed continuously in the Fire Worship Sect. The elders and disciples were dumbfounded when they heard this.

“This...”

“So it’s really Guardian Ling Tian?”

It seemed like the owner of that voice was indeed Guardian Ling Tian!

“Can anyone tell me what’s going on... What is this about?”

“What the hell happened? Why did Guardian Ling Tian ask Lord Sect Leader to come out in such a rude manner and announce his departure?”

“We’ve not heard about him in a few years, and now that he has returned, he shocked the entire Fire Worship Sect again. He’s either quiet or causing a sensation. There’s no in-between!”

The people in the Fire Worship Sect were in an uproar. They were confused. They did not understand why Duan Ling Tian would behave in such a way. However, they were certain there had to be a reason for all this. Moreover, it must be something the sect leader did that displeased him! Otherwise, he would not be so arrogant and rude, ordering the sect leader to come out to see him before announcing he was leaving the Fire Worship Sect?

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In the Fire Worship Sect’s estate.

Liu Yun, Liu Mu, and the others who had a close relationship with Duan Ling Tian were dumbfounded and confused. Apart from that, they were worried about him as well.

However, there were also people who were thrilled when they thought Duan Ling Tian was going to get in trouble. These people were those who hated Duan Ling Tian and had conflicts with him in the past.

“He... What’s going on?”

“What happened?”

“He would definitely offend Lord Sect Leader by acting this way...”

“Duan Ling Tian is leaving the sect and will no longer be a Guardian?”

Someone laughed. “If he’s still a Guardian, Lord Sect Leader might show mercy, but now...”

“Duan Ling Tian is about to meet with a disaster!”

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Chapter 2356 Expelled From the Fire Worship Sect!

“I, Duan Ling Tian, hereby announce that I’m officially leaving the Fire Worship Sect, and I’m no longer a Guardian of the Fire Worship Sect!”

Duan Ling Tian’s statement rang in the ears of the four Guardians of Fire Worship Sect. They were dumbfounded and it took them a while before they recovered their senses.

Leng Yin, particular, did not expect his words would lead to this outcome. He felt a wave of helplessness and did not know what to do. Really? Did Duan Ling Tian really have to put on such a big show and announce his departure from the sect just because he had said he had to be punished for his rude behavior? The audacity!

‘Insolent! Impudent!’ Leng Ying almost threw up blood in anger when he thought about it. He was under the impression that Duan Ling Tian had decided to leave the Fire Worship Sect because of his words. He was unaware that Duan Ling Tian would still make the same decision regardless if he had spoken up or not.

It was destined that Duan Ling Tian could not stay in the Fire Worship Sect after he learned about his identity. After all, he was the current successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, the First Absolute of the Seven Absolutes, and the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect. The Seven Absolutes Sect was the mortal enemy of the three great sects. As the sect leader, he, naturally, could not stay in the Fire Worship Sect! Otherwise, the people from the Seven Absolutes Sect who had died would have risen from their graves if they found out the current sect leader of their sect was also a Guardian of the Fire Worship Sect!

As soon as Zi Feng regained his senses, he said solemnly, “Guardian Ling Tian, please don’t make such jokes!”

Hong Yun and Qing Huo who had regained their senses as well nodded in agreement when they heard Zi Feng’s words.

On the other hand, Leng Yin forced himself to remain silent. He was feeling frustrated since he thought he was the one who had caused this. In truth, he did not wish for Duan Ling Tian to leave the Fire Worship Sect. With Duan Ling Tian’s strength, it would undoubtedly be a great loss to the Fire Worship Sect if he left. Moreover, if Duan Ling Tian left, he would be known as the person who drove Duan Ling Tian out of the sect. This was not something he was willing to bear.

Duan Ling Tian shook his head when he heard Zi Feng’s words. He said indifferently, “Joke? No, I’m not joking, Guardian Zi Feng.”

“I, Duan Ling Tian, came back today for two matters; first, it’s to leave the Fire Worship Sect. Second, it’s to kill...”

Before Duan Ling Tian could finish his sentence, a voice rang in the air, cutting him off. “In this case, does this mean Guardian Ling Tian insists on leaving our Fire Worship Sect?”

A figure appeared out of thin air like a ghost in front of the Guardians of the Fire Worship Sect. It was a middle-aged man with a sturdy body. He was dressed in a long white robe that was embroidered with red flames. It looked slightly similar to the exclusive uniforms of the elders and disciples from the Fire Worship Sect. However, upon closer inspection, one would see the flames that were embroidered resembled a divine dragon that was protecting his body.

Although the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect was tall with a muscular build and had chiseled features, he did not look like a brute. He emitted a majestic aura that made people feel as though they had to submit to him.

“Tang Xuan!” As soon as Duan Ling Tian saw the middle-aged man, his eyes narrowed and glinted with a vicious light. Anger began to course through his veins immediately.

“Lord Sect Leader!”

As soon as the middle-aged man appeared, the Guardians of Fire Worship Sect, Zi Feng, Qing Huo, Hong Yun, and Leng Ying, hurriedly bowed at him respectfully.

“Saint Girl!” Tang Xuan exclaimed. As soon as he appeared, his eyes were trained on Ke’er who was standing next to Duan Ling Tian. His eyes were bright as he stared at her. It seemed as though nothing else mattered as long as the girl before him had returned. Soon after, he turned to Duan Ling Tian and said coldly, “Guardian Ling Tian, I didn’t expect you to summon me out by name as soon as you returned after your departure a few years ago!” In his opinion, Duan Ling Tian was just a mere Guardian in the Fire Worship Sect. He was not qualified to speak to him in such a manner regardless of how powerful he was. By behaving in such a way, Duan Ling Tian was trampling on his pride and authority as the Sect Leader of the Fire Worship Sect! However, regardless of how angry he was, he could not kill Duan Ling Tian yet. This man had tainted the purity of their Fire Worship Sect’s Saint Girl. He would imprison Duan Ling Tian and wait for the god-like man to return and pass judgment on Duan Ling Tian. This was the only way for him to assuage his anger. If he killed Duan Ling Tian, who knew what that god-like man would do to him.

“So what?” Duan Ling Tian responded indifferently to Tang Xuan. Based on his words, it could be seen that he did not fear Tang Xuan at all. A few years ago, he was almost defenseless before Tang Xuan. However, currently, Tang Xuan was like an ant before him.

So what if Tang Xuan was at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage? Duan Ling Tian had managed to kill a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial whose strength surpassed an Eminent Celestial. Tang Xuan was merely a cultivator at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage who had not even become an Eminent Celestial Stage. To say Tang Xuan was no match for him was an understatement!

Duan Ling Tian’s casual remark stunned Tang Xuan and the Guardians. Previously, the Guardians had thought Duan Ling Tian had only dared to act arrogantly because Tang Xuan was not present. Who knew

he would be just as arrogant after Tang Xuan had arrived? His words completely disregarded Tang Xuan, the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect.

'Is he serious? Does he really plan to leave the Fire Worship Sect?' This was the thought that appeared in the Guardians' minds.

"Very well!" Unsurprisingly, Duan Ling Tian's words angered Tang Xuan, causing his expression to darken. "After not seeing you for a few years, it seems like you've gotten bolder. Nevertheless, I'll ask you again, do you really insist on leaving the Fire Worship Sect and stop being a Guardian of the sect?" He looked at Duan Ling Tian pointedly as though he would kill Duan Ling Tian if he said yes.

The four Guardians looked at Duan Ling Tian in rapt silence. All of them were curious about Duan Ling Tian's answer.

"I don't like repeating myself," Duan Ling Tian said bluntly in response to Tang Xuan's question.

The four Guardians felt chills run their spines when they heard Duan Ling Tian's response.

'Has Duan Ling Tian gone crazy?'

'Why is he so bold? Isn't he afraid Lord Sect Leader will kill him out of anger?'

'He might still be able to save himself if he remains as a Guardian of the sect. It'll be hard for him to survive now that he decided to leave. Not only did he disrespect Lord Sect Leader, but he had also tainted the Saint Girl's purity!'

'It's a death sentence for those who taint the Saint Girl's purity!'

At this moment, the Guardians thought that Duan Ling Tian had gone mad. Otherwise, why would he act so arrogantly to the sect leader? Naturally, it occurred to them that he might have become stronger than their sect leader, but they quickly dismissed that thought. After all, only a few years had passed since they last saw Duan Ling Tian. They did not think it was possible for him to surpass their sect leader's strength in just a few short years.

"Very well!" Tang Xuan said repeatedly as his voice became lower and lower. It was obvious he was about to explode in anger. He looked pointedly at Duan Ling Tian as he said, "I, Tang Xuan, the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, hereby announce that Duan Ling Tian is expelled from Fire Worship Sect from today onward for tainting the Saint Girl's purity!"

Tang Xuan's words were like a bomb that resounded through the Fire Worship Sect's estate.

As soon as Tang Xuan finished speaking, the expressions of the Guardians of the Fire Worship Sect changed drastically. They knew they had passed the point of no return. After their sect leader had spoken, the sect and Duan Ling Tian would be on opposing sides from now on. It was impossible for him to stay as Guardian in the sect from this moment on.

Chapter 2357 My Identity

“I, Tang Xuan, the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, hereby announce that Duan Ling Tian is expelled from Fire Worship Sect from today onwards for tarnishing the Saint Girl’s purity!”

Tang Xuan’s voice that contained Saint Origin echoed through the entire Fire Worship Sect.

Naturally, it caused another uproar again.

“I-is that Lord Sect Leader’s voice?”

“Lord Sect Leader said that Guardian Ling Tian tarnished the Saint Girl’s purity? What’s that about?”

Many people in the Fire Worship Sect were stunned. When they regained their sense, they continued to discuss it among themselves.

“The Saint Girl our Lord Sect Leader mentioned is the Saint Girl that disappeared a few years ago, right?”

“Of course. Apart from her, is there another Saint Girl? She’s the one that gave birth to a daughter!”

“Didn’t they say the man who tarnished the Saint Girl’s purity is from the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land?”

“Have you forgotten that Guardian Ling Tian is also from the Lower Province? He’s the Young Mansion Master of Azure Cloud Mansion, one of the strongest forces in the Lower Province!”

“Yes... It’s no secret that Guardian Ling Tian came from the Lower Province.”

Many elders and disciples from the Fire Worship Sect were shocked by this. Although they knew the Saint Girl’s purity had been tarnished before she returned to the sect, they did not expect the culprit to be Duan Ling Tian.

“That means the Saint Girl’s daughter is also Guardian Ling Tian’s daughter, right?”

“Who knew Guardian Ling Tian would turn out to be that man!”

“Guardian Ling Tian’s departure from the sect is likely due to this. He knew Lord Sect Leader would expel him from the sect so he announced his departure first.”

“That’s possible! After all, there’s a difference between voluntarily leaving and being expelled!”

“Yes. If it was known that he was expelled, his reputation would definitely take a hit.”

Most of them concluded the reason for Duan Ling Tian’s departure was due to the Saint Girl.

“Lord Sect Leader truly expelled Guardian Ling Tian because of that? It seems a bit excessive, right?”

“As far as I know, Guardians usually enjoy preferential treatment and have some immunity to the rules in the Fire Worship Sect. Why is it different this time?”

“Our Fire Worship Sect’s Saint Girl went missing at a really young age. It’s no one’s fault that they fell in love. Since they have fate, why not give them our blessing? Who knows, their love story might be a story we can tell the future generation.”

“In comparison to losing a powerhouse like Guardian Ling Tian, that mistake is truly negligible!”

Almost 90% of the people in the Fire Worship Sect disagreed with their sect leader’s decision to expel Guardian Ling Tian for such a trivial reason. In fact, most of them gave their blessing to the relationship.

“I think we should plead on Guardian Ling Tian’s behalf!”

“I agree. He’s too important for the Fire Worship Sect to lose!”

“Losing Guardian Ling Tian would be like cutting off one of the Fire Worship Sect’s arms. Why don’t we give our blessing to Guardian Ling Tian and the Saint Gir’s marriage so he can stay in the sect?”

“Let’s go! Let’s go plead for his case!”

In the Fire Worship Sect’s Saint Land, a group of elders and disciples from the Fire Worship Sect began to fly up into the air to the Saint Islands. Apart from the Sanctum Leader of the Azure Dragon Sanctum, the other three Sanctum Leaders and the elders had also entered the Saint Land. There were many ordinary disciples from the Four Symbols Sanctums who wished they could go along to plead on Duan Ling Tian’s behalf.

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Above the Fire Worship Sect’s Saint Land.

A group of Golden, Silver, and Bronze Flame Elders and Saint Land disciples who was led by the two Vice Sect Leaders of Fire Worship Sect finally arrived at where the confrontation was taking place. It did not take long before the entire place was crowded.

Leng Yin could not help but frown when he saw the crowd that had formed around them. He asked in an interrogative tone, “What are all of you doing here?”

However, no one answered Leng Yin. All their attention was focused on Tang Xuan, the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect. Eventually, the two Vice Sect Leaders of Fire Worship Sect spoke up first to convince their sect leader to rescind his words. As soon as the two vice sect leaders spoke up, the group they led followed suit as well.

“Please reconsider your decision, Lord Sect Leader!”

“Please reconsider your decision, Lord Sect Leader!”

“Please reconsider your decision, Lord Sect Leader!”

Those who had just arrived began to plead for Duan Ling Tian as well as soon as they arrived. None of them wanted Tang Xuan to expel Duan Ling Tian from the Fire Worship Sect!

“Do you know what you’re doing?!” Tang Xuan looked at the elders and disciples around him with a grim expression on his face. He did not expect so many elders and disciples would come to plead on Duan Ling Tian’s behalf after he had expelled him.

“Lord Sect Leader!” At this point, one of the vice sect leaders spoke up, “Although Guardian Ling Tian has made a mistake and broke the rules of Fire Worship Sect, I think he should be forgiven. After all, he had fought for our sect and defeated those people from the Black Kshetra Sect. This merit is enough to make up for his transgression!”

“I agree, Lord Sect Leader,” the other Vice Sect Leader of the Fire Worship Sect nodded and said, “With Guardian Ling Tian’s strength, having him in the Fire Worship Sect is like giving a pair of wings to a tiger. It’s not worth it for us to let go of such a powerhouse over such a small mistake.”

“Guardian Ling Tian and the Saint Girl’s love is a beautiful love story, Lord Sect Leader. Please give Guardian Ling Tian and the Saint Girl your blessing!” A Golden Flame Elder said loudly.

Many people echoed the Golden Flame Elder’s words as soon as he finished speaking. If the four Guardians had just arrived, they would have followed suit and pleaded on Duan Ling Tian’s behalf as well. However, since they were there from the beginning, they could tell Duan Ling Tian’s departure had nothing to do with the Saint Girl.

“Please give Guardian Ling Tian and the Saint Girl your blessing, Lord Sect Leader!”

“Please give Guardian Ling Tian and the Saint Girl your blessing, Lord Sect Leader!”

“These people...” Duan Ling Tian who was standing across Tang Xuan did not expect a group of elders and disciples would come and plead on his behalf. He did not know whether he should laugh or cry. His departure had nothing to do with Ke’er. However, he felt moved even though he knew they only came to plead for his case because it would be beneficial to the Fire Worship Sect. After all, they thought his strength was only second to Tang Xuan. They were, naturally, unaware that Duan Ling Tian’s strength had long surpassed Tang Xuan’s strength.

“Everyone!” Duan Ling Tian felt that he could not ignore them since they had all come for him. “The reason for my departure from the Fire Worship Sect has nothing to do with my wife, Ke’Er, the former Saint Girl of the Fire Worship Sect...”

“Hm?”

“What? Guardian Ling Tian’s departure has nothing to do with the Saint Girl?”

“What’s happening?”

“Then, why is he leaving if it’s not because of the Saint Girl?”

Those who came to plead for Duan Ling Tian were confused when they heard his word. All of them turned to look at him instantly.

One of the vice sect leaders asked, “Guardian Ling Tian, why are you leaving if it’s not because of the Saint Girl? Are you unhappy being in the sect?”

“That’s right. There must be a reason for your departure, right?” The other vice sect leader chimed in.

“Of course I have my reason...” Duan Ling Tian nodded. Under everyone’s watchful gaze, he continued to say, “The reason is my identity makes it impossible for me to stay in the Fire Worship Sect!”

“Identity? What identity?”

The crowd was, naturally, confused when they heard Duan Ling Tian’s words. All of them looked at Duan Ling Tian for an explanation. Even Tang Xuan and the four Guardians were curious.

Under everyone’s watchful eyes, Duan Ling Tian said loudly, “I, Duan Ling Tian, am the current successor of the Fog Rain Progeny from the Seven Absolutes Sect!”

Chapter 2358 Tang Xuan Kneeling Before Duan Ling Tian

“I, Duan Ling Tian, am the current successor of Fog Rain Progeny of Seven Absolutes Sect!”

Duan Ling Tian’s voice and words struck everyone like a thunderbolt. Everyone, including Tang Xuan, had an expression of shock and disbelief on their faces. After all, Duan Ling Tian’s words were much too outrageous.

The successor of the Fog Rain Progeny? The Fog Rain Progeny was the First Absolute, right? The Guardian of the Fire Worship Sect was the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny of Seven Absolutes Sect?

“This... Is this a joke?!”

“H-how’s this possible? How can Guardian Ling Tian be a member of the Seven Absolutes Sect?!”

“From what I know, the successors of the Fog Rain Progeny are usually also the sect leaders of the Seven Absolutes Sect... If Guardian Ling Tian is truly the current successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, this means he’s also the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect!”

Everyone, from the vice sect leaders to the elders and disciples, shook their heads in disbelief when they heard Duan Ling Tian’s words. It was too outrageous!

The Seven Absolutes Sect was the mortal enemy of the three great sects. All three sects had tried their best to eradicate the Seven Absolutes Sect...

“If Guardian Ling Tian is truly the current successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, isn’t it akin to committing suicide for him to reveal his identity here?”

“You’re right. There’s no way he’s the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny or the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect!”

Most of the elders and disciples from the Fire Worship Sect did not really believe that Duan Ling Tian was a member of the Seven Absolutes Sect. After all, it would mean death for himself if he revealed such a thing in the Fire Worship Sect. In their opinion, he had probably said it out of anger due to his dissatisfaction with the sect leader’s disapproval of his relationship with the Saint Girl.

“Guardian Ling Tian!” At this moment, Gan Ru Yan’s master, Qing Huo, looked at Duan Ling Tian and said solemnly, “There are some things that shouldn’t be joked about. If people take it as the truth, it would be bad!”

The other three Guardians, including Leng Ying, nodded in agreement when Qing Huo spoke.

“A joke?” When Duan Ling Tian heard Qing Huo’s words and the discussion in his surroundings, he was rendered speechless.

What are these people thinking? Did they really think he was joking? Why would he joke about something like this?

Duan Ling Tian shook his head slightly and no longer explained himself. After all, he did not think it was necessary nor was it worth his time to explain himself. Most importantly, he was too lazy to explain himself. He turned to look at Tang Xuan as his eyes turned piercing. Murderous intent rolled off of his body as he cried out, “Tang Xuan! There are two reasons why I came to the Fire Worship Sect today. First, it’s to announce my departure from the sect. Second, I came to kill you!”

Duan Ling Tian’s robes fluttered as a wave of terrifying energy rolled off his body.

The crowd was shocked by his words.

“Guardian Ling Tian he... Not only does he plan to leave the Fire Worship Sect, but he even intends to kill Lord Sect Leader?”

“This... Is he really Guardian Ling Tian?”

“He sounds very confident. I wonder where he got his confidence from?”

“It has only been a few years since he left... Is he even capable of accomplishing such a feat with his current strength?”

The people in the surroundings looked at Duan Ling Tian as though they were looking at a dead man. Although they knew Duan Ling Tian was extremely powerful based on his strength a few years ago and they knew he would have gotten stronger now, they still found it difficult to believe that he would be able to kill Tang Xuan.

Tang Xuan the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect was at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Furthermore, he was ranked fourth on the Supreme Saint Ranking. How could regular cultivators compare to him?

“Kill me?!” Tang Xuan who was stunned by Duan Ling Tian’s declaration of being the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny burst out laughing when he heard Duan Ling Tian said he had come to kill him. A hint of ridicule and disdain could be seen on his face as he laughed. He was very confident about his strength. Although he had just broken through to the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage a few years ago, he had a good comprehension of heaven and earth thanks to the powerhouse whom he suspected was from the Devata Realm. He did not think it would take long before he would undergo the Celestial Ascension Tribulation! With his current cultivation base, he was almost certain he could defeat Lang Qian Jin, the Supreme Elder of Black Kshetra Sect, and Mo Xuan, the great Oracle of Heaven Divination Sect. These people were currently ranked second and third respectively on the Supreme Saint Ranking. With his movement Divine Ability, he did not think anyone, apart from those Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials or stronger, would be able to kill him.

“What? You don’t believe me?” Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes as it flashed coldly when he saw the hint of disdain and ridicule on Tang Xuan’s face.

Before Duan Ling Tian could continue, the old man who was standing behind him obediently, a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, cried out in anger, “How dare you disrespect my master! You’re seeking death!” He seemed to have disappeared as soon as he finished speaking.

Whoosh!

Chen Yi Ru appeared out of thin air in front of Tang Xuan, causing Tang Xuan to be taken aback. He thought to himself, ‘Even an Eminent Celestial wouldn’t be able to move so quickly without me noticing. C-could he be a Bodiless Celestial?’ After all, he was confident that only Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestials or those who were stronger would be able to move without him noticing it. He was confused. ‘However, why would a Bodiless Celestial address Duan Ling Tian as master?’

Naturally, while all these thoughts were flitting through Tang Xuan’s mind, he did not forget to mobilize his Saint Origin and cast his movement Divine Ability that was taught to him by that god-like powerhouse. His movement divine ability was much superior compared to all the movement Divine Abilities in the Dao Martial Saint Land. It was widely acknowledged as the best movement Divine Ability in the Dao Martial Saint Land.

When Chen Yi Ru saw Tang Xuan was trying to escape, a contemptuous expression appeared on his face as he said, “Trying to escape?”

An overwhelming force slammed against Tang Xuan and shrouded him with a flick of Chen Yi Ru’s fingers. Chen Yi Ru’s tornado-like force dispelled and suppressed all the Saint Origin that Tang Xuan had mobilized, causing Tang Xuan’s movement Divine Ability to stop working.

To have one’s Saint Origin forcefully dispelled and suppressed would take a toll on one’s body. Tang Xuan instantly threw up blood and his body swayed as though he was going to pass out.

‘This... How’s this possible?!’ Tang Xuan felt waves upon waves of terror crashed onto him. Even a Third Tribulation Bodiless Celestial would not be capable of dispelling and suppressing his Saint Origin and stopping his movement Divine Ability. An expression of fear appeared on Tang Xuan’s face when he looked at the person in front of him. ‘C-could he be a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?’ Before he could study that person’s appearance in detail, that person had flicked his fingers again. The force that slammed into Tang Xuan bound him immediately.

Tang Xuan was still reeling from all this when he felt a force hitting the back of his knees. It caused him to fall on his knees immediately. When his mind stopped reeling, he finally realized what the force had made him do. He was currently kneeling in front of Duan Ling Tian! No matter how hard he struggled to break free, it was all in vain.

Tang Xuan who had been forced to kneel in front of Duan Ling Tian could only see the hems of Duan Ling Tian’s robes and his boots. He could not even lift his head. He began to panic. ‘How did Duan Ling Tian gain a follower who’s stronger than a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?!’

At this moment, the people from the Fire Worship Sect finally regained their senses. When they saw the scene before their eyes, they were thoroughly shocked again.

“This...”

Chapter 2359 A Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial Who Is A Servan

Tang Xuan was the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect and a cultivator at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage who was ranked fourth on the Supreme Saint Ranking. Such a person was currently made to kneel before Duan Ling Tian like a devout worshiper who was worshiping God. Upon closer inspection, one would be able to see Tang Xuan was slightly trembling as he tried to break free from the force that bound him. Naturally, all his struggling was in vain. The force was like the ocean and he was like a single lonely boat in the middle of the sea. If it capsized, it would not be able to turn over.

The people from the Fire Worship Sect, including the high-ranking officials, who just regained their senses were thoroughly shocked and baffled when they saw their sect leader kneeling before Duan Ling Tian.

“This... this...”

“What’s Lord Sect Leader doing?”

“Why’s he kneeling before Duan Ling Tian? W-what’s happening?”

Tang Xuan was their sect leader. They never doubted his power and his authority. However, it did not change the fact that he was currently kneeling before that purple-clad young man obediently like a dog. How could they not be shocked? The lofty image of the sect leader in their hearts shattered at this moment.

The four Guardians cried out in shock when they saw this, “Sect Leader!”

This person who was kneeling was their sect leader after all. Not only that, but he was also at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage and was ranked fourth on the Supreme Saint Ranking! Four of them turned to look at Duan Ling Tian before shifting their eyes to the old man who had just returned to his position behind Duan Ling Tian. Naturally, they were aware that this old man who had appeared out of thin air before their sect leader earlier was a lot stronger than them. They remembered the old man had addressed Duan Ling Tian as his master earlier and turned to look at Duan Ling Tian again with widened eyes.

“It’s obvious Lord Sect Leader is not willingly kneeling before Duan Ling Tian. Look at his body! He’s trembling! He’s obviously struggling to break free!”

“In other words... Lord Sect Leader is being forced to kneel before Guardian Ling Tian?”

“Even an Eminent Celestial isn’t capable of such a feat, right?”

“Why would someone who’s at least a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial address Guardian Ling Tian as master? What happened to Guardian Ling Tian during these few years when he was away?”

The four Guardians spoke to each other through Voice Transmission. All of them suspected the old man was a Bodiless Celestial. Since the old man was clearly stronger than an Eminent Celestial, he had to be a Third Tribulation Bodiless Celestial at the very least. They were bewildered.

After Tang Xuan who was forced to kneel realized his effort of trying to break free was in vain, he stopped struggling immediately. He took a deep breath with great difficulty before he asked with his head lowered, "Sir... Who are you?"

Tang Xuan's question was obviously directed at Chen Yi Ru, but Chen Yi Ru did not deign to reply to him. After all, Tang Xuan was only a cultivator at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. He was as weak as an ant. He was too lazy to pay attention to someone so insignificant.

An indifferent voice suddenly rang in the air. "Since he wants to know who you are, you should tell him..."

Chen Yi Ru was slightly startled when he heard this, but he hurriedly replied, "Yes, master!"

The person who had spoken was, naturally, none other than Duan Ling Tian. He looked at Tang Xuan who was kneeling before him emotionlessly. He would have been shocked by the sight of the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect who was a cultivator at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage kneeling before him if this was a few years ago. However, currently, it caused nary a ripple in his emotions. This was, naturally, due to his increase in strength. It would be as easy as killing an ant if he wanted to kill Tang Xuan now.

"Master?" The elders and disciples of Fire Worship Sect were stunned by the way Chen Yi Ru addressed Duan Ling Tian. At this moment, all of them knew their sect leader was made to kneel before Duan Ling Tian by the old man in just a blink of an eye. It was clear that the old man was much stronger than their sect leader.

"How did Guardian Ling Tian gain such a strong servant?"

"The old man must be an Eminent Celestial to be able to force Lord Sect Leader to kneel, right?"

"An Eminent Celestial? Are there any Eminent Celestials in the Dao Martial Saint Land? Perhaps, only Nie Wu Tian who's ranked first on the Supreme Saint Ranking is an Eminent Celestial!"

"A-are you saying this old man is Nie Wu Tian?"

"Impossible! I've seen Nie Wu Tian's portrait before. Unless this old man is wearing a disguise, he's definitely not Nie Wu Tian!"

To most members of the Fire Worship Sect, Eminent Celestials stood at the peak of the food chain in the Dao Martial Saint Land. Only the Sect Leader and Guardians of Fire Worship Sect knew the old man was much stronger than an Eminent Celestial.

Since Duan Ling Tian had spoken, Chen Yi Ru, naturally, did not dare to disobey him. He looked coldly at Tang Xuan who was kneeling as he said indifferently, "I'm Chen Yi Ru. Most people call me Chen San Dao!"

The people from the Fire Worship Sect were confused when they heard this. Chen Yi Ru? Chen San Dao? They had not heard of these names before so they assumed he was a recluse.

"Chen Yi Ru? Chen San Dao? I haven't heard of him!"

“It seems like he’s really not Nie Wu Tian. He must be a reclusive powerhouse!”

“This is the only explanation. Otherwise, why didn’t we hear about him before this?”

On the other hand, Tang Xuan’s eyes widened immediately when he heard this. He asked in a trembling voice, “C-Chen Yi Ru? Chen San Dao? Are you the same Chen Yi Ru who was ranked second on the Supreme Saint Ranking 5,000 years ago?” As the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, he was, naturally, very knowledgeable. He had briefly read through the previous issues of Supreme Saint Ranking from the last 10,000 years.

“Yes,” Chen Yi Ru replied nonchalantly.

“Chen Yi Ru who was ranked second in the Supreme Saint Ranking 5,000 years ago? Chen San Dao? It’s him?”

“B-but didn’t he fail the Celestial Ascension Tribulation about 5,000 years ago? Why is he here?”

“He should’ve died after failing the Celestial Ascension Tribulation, right? I-is he a ghost?”

“Is it possible that he’s a fake?”

With Tang Xuan’s words, a few people from the Fire Worship Sect began to remember Chen Yi Ru. However, they were baffled since they thought he had long died. Was this person trying to impersonate Chen Yi Ru? How could someone who had failed the Celestial Ascension Tribulation be here?

The four Guardians exchanged a knowing look. They saw the shock and disbelief in each other’s eyes.

“Since he failed his Celestial Ascension Tribulation about four to five thousand years ago... This means he’s a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!”

A Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial! The old man was actually a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

The high-ranking officials who knew about Bodiless Celestials took it upon themselves to inform those who were unaware of Bodiless Celestials. Many of them felt as though the door to a new world had been opened when they learned about this. As it turned out, Eminent Celestials were not the strongest in the Dao Martial Saint Land. There were Bodiless Celestials who were much stronger!

“He’s a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. This means he’s even stronger than those Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestials who are stronger than Eminent Celestials. Why would he address Guardian Ling Tian as master?”

This was a common question among the people who were present. A Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial was a lofty being, and yet, this person addressed Duan Ling Tian as master.

Meanwhile, Tang Xuan who was kneeling on the ground deflated immediately as though all his strength had drained out of him. If Chen Yi Ru’s force did not prop him up, he would have fallen to the ground. He said “Duan Ling Tian, I surrender.”

Chapter 2360 Void Crack Over A Thousand Meter Long

“Duan Ling Tian, I surrender.”

The people from the Fire Worship Sect felt sympathy for Tang Xuan when they heard his words. Regardless, he was still their sect leader. As he knelt before Duan Ling Tian and admitted defeat, they could hear the shame, resentment, and helplessness in his voice when he spoke. They could only imagine how he was feeling at this moment.

“You surrender?” Duan Ling Tian smirked when he heard Tang Xuan’s voice. Then, he said indifferently, “Since you’ve surrendered, you should go to hell!” As soon as he finished speaking, Celestial Origin Energy that was mixed with Saint Origin surged out of his body. As an Eminent Celestial, he did not even need to cast his assist-type Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic, to effortlessly kill Tang Xuan who was only at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

As soon as Duan Ling Tian lifted his hands, his force shot out like a fierce roaring dragon, setting off a series of explosions. He was finally going to avenge Elder Huo, the Three-legged Golden Crow.

Tang Xuan who realized he was on the brink of death hurriedly shouted, “Hold on! Duan Ling Tian, you can’t kill me. If you do, you’ll never find out about the Saint Girl’s origin and the danger that looms ahead of her.”

“Hmm?” Duan Ling Tian furrowed his brow as he halted the energy that had shot out. He said emotionlessly to Chen Yi Ru, “Release him.”

Upon hearing Duan Ling Tian’s command, Chen Yi Ru released Tang Xuan from the force that had bound him. At the same time, he also warned Tang Xuan, “You better not play any tricks. Otherwise, even if master spares your life, I’ll make you feel as though you’re living in hell on earth!”

Since Tang Xuan knew Chen Yi Ru was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, he felt chills run up his spine when he heard his warning. He did not feel delighted even though he was freed. He knew whether he was bound or not, he was still in a precarious situation. However, when he turned to look at Duan Ling Tian, he was shocked. “Eminent Celestial?” He had sensed the Celestial Origin Energy in Duan Ling Tian’s body. Not even in his wildest dreams would he expect that the purple-clad young man from a few years ago who was as weak as an ant had already passed the Celestial Ascension Tribulation and become an Eminent Celestial! He found it incredibly hard to believe. How could Duan Ling Tian’s cultivation base improve so tremendously in just a few years? “H-how’s this possible?”

“Eminent Celestial?”

“Did Lord Sect Leader say Guardian Ling Tian is an Eminent Celestial?”

“What? Guardian Ling Tian became an Eminent Celestial in such a short time? Is this a joke?”

“Look at Lord Sect Leader... Does it look like he’s joking?”

Everyone from the Fire Worship Sect was already shocked that Duan Ling Tian had a follower who was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. Naturally, they were even more shocked when they heard Duan Ling Tian had become an Eminent Celestial. Not only was his follower incredibly strong, but he was also strong.

An Eminent Celestial! Prior to today, most of them thought Eminent Celestials were the strongest in the Dao Martial Saint Land. Chen Yi Ru might be impressive since he was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, but Duan Ling Tian who was less than a hundred years old had only come to the Upper Province about ten years ago and he had already passed his Celestial Ascension Tribulation and become an Eminent Celestial! This was even more shocking to them!.

Chen Yi Ru sneered when he heard the people from the Fire Worship Sect talking. "Eminent Celestial?" Was his master somebody whom Eminent Celestials could compare to? His master's current strength was comparable to a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. Even he was no match for his master!

"Tell me what you know," Duan Ling Tian demanded coldly.

Tang Xuan who had regained his senses looked at Duan Ling Tian fearfully. Initially, he had thought Duan Ling Tian had dared to act so boldly because he had Chen Yi Ru's support. He did not expect Duan Ling Tian's strength would greatly surpass his after a few years. Although he was able to escape from Eminent Celestials easily with his movement Divine Ability, he was not a match for them if they fought. He knew his limitations very well. He asked pleadingly, "Would you spare my life if I tell you what I know?"

"Do you think you have the right to talk to me about conditions?" Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes immediately as his body emitted killing intent.

Tang Xuan's heart was seized by coldness, and he chose to give in. "The Saint Girl is the reincarnation of a goddess. This isn't a secret in the sect," he said as Duan Ling Tian watched him coldly, "I'm aware that not many people believe this. In fact, even the Guardians think it's nothing but nonsense."

Zi Feng, Qing Huo, Hong Yun, and Leng Yin did not speak up when they heard this. Indeed. They thought their sect leader had made this up for some reason. After all, there were no records of Saint Girls in the history of Fire Worship Sect. It was difficult for them to believe him.

"All these while, I didn't bother to convince them. It's enough that I know the Saint Girl is the reincarnation of a goddess!" At this moment, Tang Xuan turned to look at Ke'er who was standing next to Duan Ling Tian as he continued to speak, "That year, a god-like powerhouse who's not from the mundane realm appeared before me. His strength is nothing like I've ever seen. He managed to tear open a crack in the void that was over 1,000 meters long with just a lift of his hand!" His expression turned grave as he spoke about this as though he was reliving his past experience again.

"What did you say?" Chen Yi Ru asked in astonishment when he heard Tang Xuan's words. "You said he tore open a crack in the void that was over 1,000 meters long by simply lifting his hand?"

How could Chen Yi Ru not lose his composure? Based on what he knew, even Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials in the mundane realm were only capable of tearing a crack in the void that was over a hundred meters long.

"A crack over 1,000 meters long?" Duan Ling Tian's expression turned grim as well when he heard Tang Xuan's words. Although, unlike Chen Yi Ru, he did not know long the crack would be if a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial tore a hole in the void, he knew someone who was able to tear open a crack in the

void that was over 1,000 meters long must be very formidable! That person had to be even stronger than a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

“A crack in the void that’s over 1,000 meters long?”

“H-how strong is that person?”

“From what I know, Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials or those who are stronger are able to tear a hole in the void. However, even a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial can only tear a crack that’s one inch long!”

“Over 1,000 meters? Even Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials aren’t so strong, right?”

The four Guardians of Fire Worship Sect felt a jolt of fear when they heard Tang Xuan’s words.

“Is Lord Sect Leader telling the truth?”

“I feel like I’m listening to some fantasy story!”

“He wouldn’t lie to Duan Ling Tian, would he?”

“That’s possible!”

Many disciples from the Fire Worship Sect could not help but whisper among themselves. They found this hard to believe.

As a cultivator at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, Tang Xuan’s hearing was, naturally, very good. He was so furious he almost threw up blood again when he heard the discussion in his surroundings. For a moment, he wished he could give the disciples a beating. He was afraid Duan Ling Tian would doubt his words as well so he quickly swore on the lightning penalty oath to prove the veracity of his words. “I, Tang Xuan, swear on the lightning penalty oath...”