

Chapter 2371 The Battle Between Two Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials

“I declare that Gan Ru Yan is no longer the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect from today onward!” Li Bing’s words and intention to remove Gan Ru Yan from her position as the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect shocked everyone.

“Ancestor!” The expression of Qing Huo, Gan Ru Yan’s master, changed drastically. He was the first one to speak up. “I wonder what my disciple did to warrant her being removed from her position as sect leader?”

“What did she do? That’s a fantastic question.” Li Bing narrowed his eyes when he heard Qing Huo’s words. He sneered before he said, “Gan Ru Yan, as the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, you dare to go against our ancestor’s legacy and reconcile with the Seven Absolutes Sect. This act is disrespectful toward all the ancestors of the Fire Worship Sect. The ancestors from the sect who were killed by the members of the Seven Absolutes Sect would turn in their graves if they know about this.” He spoke in a self-righteous manner, but it seemed as though he had forgotten that the Fire Worship Sect had killed many people from the Seven Absolutes Sect, the number was much higher compared to the Seven Absolutes Sect. The only time where many people from the Fire Worship Sect were killed was during Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang’s time. Moreover, it was three great sects that had started this war by provoking the Seven Absolutes Sect. It was clear that his words were unreasonable.

Nevertheless, no one dared to speak up even if they felt Li Bing’s words were unreasonable. After all, how could they oppose Li Bing who was their ancestor?

After Li Bing finished speaking, he looked at Qing Huo pointedly as he asked, “So do you still think your disciple is innocent?”

Qing Huo was rendered speechless by Li Bing’s words.

When Li Bing saw Qing Huo’s lack of response, he said coldly, “It seems like you agree with me as well since you can’t refute my words. You’re not entirely blameless since you’ve failed to properly educate your disciple!”

Qing Huo’s expression changed dramatically when he heard Li Bing’s words.

“You should die today to atone for your mistake!” Li Bing said icily as a wave of terrifying energy rolled off his body. This energy was none other than the Celestial Origin Energy. As soon as the energy surged out of his body, it shot toward Qing Huo quickly, looking like a wyrm dragon. There was no doubt Qing Huo would die if the attack landed on him.

“Master!” Gan Ru Yan cried out with a horrified expression on her face.

Li Bing was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial after all. Even a casual strike from him was not something Qing Huo, a cultivator at the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, could withstand.

In just a blink of an eye, before Qing Huo and the onlookers could react, the energy that was shooting toward Qing Huo was less than twenty meters away from him!

'Am I going to die?' Qing Huo felt the terrifying force that was targeted at him and thought he would meet his death today. He did not even have time to mobilize the Saint Origin in his body before the destructive energy had shrouded him.

Boom!

An explosion that seemed capable of causing an earthquake rang in the air.

A more powerful force shot out from where Gan Ru Yan was standing and collided with Li Bing's energy before nullifying it.

"Who's that?" Li Bing's expression darkened. He did not expect that someone would be bold enough to stop him, let alone expecting someone with the ability to do so. He quickly lifted his head to look at the person who had stopped him.

Qing Huo who just had a near-death experience looked at the old man standing next to his disciple and quickly expressed his gratitude. "Thank you for saving my life, Senior Chen."

"Chen Yi Ru!" Li Bing's expression turned even worse when he saw Chen Yi Ru. "Why are you here?!" He was no stranger to Chen Yi Ru. 4,000 years ago, when he was still a Guardian in the Fire Worship Sect, he was ranked third on the Supreme Saint Ranking. However, Chen Yi Ru was ranked second on the Supreme Saint Ranking even though he was a mere sectless cultivator.

Chen Yi Ru did not deign to answer Li Bing's question. Instead, he mocked him. "Li Bing, the dragon clan sent you out on a mission, but you actually returned to the Fire Worship Sect. If the dragon clan finds out about how you returned to the sect to flaunt your status as an ancestor and put on air, it would probably not bode well for you, right?"

Li Bing's expression turned gloomier when he heard this.

"The dragon clan?"

The four Guardians and high-ranking officials of the Fire Worship Sect were confused by Chen Yi Ru's words. They learned about the existence of Bodiless Celestials when Duan Ling Tian returned to the sect and found it strange that there was no Bodiless Celestial in the Fire Worship Sect. They wondered where all the Bodiless Celestials had gone. They became even more confused when they heard Chen Yi Ru's words. The dragon clan sent their ancestor on a mission? Was the dragon clan's strength not inferior to the Fire Worship Sect?

Before they could ponder on the matter any further, Li Bing began to say scornfully, "Chen Yi Ru, I don't know why you're in the Fire Worship Sect, but it would do you good to stay out of my sect's businesses!"

"I'll stay out of the Fire Worship Sect's business..." Chen Yi Ru said indifferently.

Li Bing's expression eased slightly when he heard this. However, he was furious when he heard the latter part of Chen Yi Ru's words.

"If you apologize to Miss Ru Yan and Guardian Qing Huo and ask for their forgiveness."

Chen Yi Ru's angered Li Bing so much that energy began to roll off his body again, causing tiny cracks to appear in the void.

Many cracks in the void that looked like tiny snakes continued to appear one after another.

The people from the Fire Worship Sect who were present were, naturally, gasping in shock when they saw the many void tears that looked like tiny black snakes appeared in the void one after another.

"He managed to tear open the void. T-this means he's definitely a Four or Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!"

"4,000 years ago, he failed his Heavenly Tribulation and became a Bodiless Celestial. Based on the time, he must be a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial now!"

"However, Senior Chen is also a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, right?"

The onlookers' eyes darted back and forth between Chen Yi Ru and Li Bing.

"Chen Yi Ru, you're seeking death!" Li Bing cried out as he charged toward Chen Yi Ru like a cannonball.

"What perfect timing!" Chen Yi Ru did not fear Li Bing who was charging toward him. Back then, Li Bing had never once won they fought. Therefore, he did not think Li Bing was a threat to him.

Both Li Bing and Chen Yi Ru charged toward each other at break-neck speed. No one could see their movements, apart from Duan Ling Tian, since their cultivation bases were too low.

Meanwhile, Feng Tian Wu who was standing next to Ke'er and Duan Ling Tian was in shock. 'Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? That old man is actually a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?!' She had met Chen Yi Ru half a month ago and thought he was Duan Ling Tian's follower since he addressed Duan Ling Tian as master. However, it was really beyond her expectation that he was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

As the successor of the Blazing Phoenix Progeny, the Fifth Absolute of the Seven Absolutes Sect, Feng Tian Wu was made aware of the existence of Bodiless Celestials. Naturally, she knew about the strength of a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial as well. 'Brother Duan is only an Eminent Celestial, why would a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial acknowledge him as master? A Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial is already stronger than Eminent Celestial, let alone a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.' She was extremely baffled by this.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

A series of loud explosions that seemed capable of shaking heaven and earth rang in the air.

Feng Tian Wu regained her senses when she heard the explosions. When she heard the noise, she knew that Chen Yi Ru and Li Bing had begun to fight.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

A shockwave spread out, forcing everyone from the Fire Worship Sect, including the four Guardians, to retreat. The only one who was not affected by the explosions was Duan Ling Tian. At some point, his

Celestial Origin Energy that was mixed with Saint Origin had shrouded him in the form of a Black Turtle. It was obvious he had cast the number one defensive Divine Ability in the Fire Worship Sect, the Black Turtle Barrier.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Shockwaves that seemed capable of destroying heaven and earth continued to roll out and crashed against the Black Turtle's Barrier, causing it to tremble slightly. However, in the end, it still failed to break the defense of the Black Turtle's Barrier!

Chapter 2372 You are Duan Ling Tian?

"What a formidable force!"

"So this is the strength of a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? How strong!"

"Although we can't see their movements, based on their attacks that rip holes in the void, it's evident that they're extremely strong!"

The group of people from the Fire Worship Sect who had retreated to the distance was astounded when they saw the cracks that appeared in the void kept appearing around Chen Yi Ru and Li Bing's bodies.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

The shockwave from the battle between Chen Yi Ru and Li Bing swept out and hit the nearby islands in the sky, laying waste to many mansions. Dust and debris swirled from the battle and clouded the sky.

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"What's happening?"

"It seems like there's a battle going on!"

"These auras seem like they're from Lord Sect Leader and the Guardians, right?"

The thunderous sound from Li Bing and Chen Yi Ru's battle alerted many elders and disciples on the Saint Land. All of them instantly rose into the sky to see what was going on. However, when they rose to a certain level, they found that they were repelled by the airwaves. In the end, they could not see what was going on at all, they merely heard thunderous sounds.

"What's happening?" Many of them asked.

The elders who were present since earlier recounted what had happened to them, causing an uproar.

"We have a Bodiless Celestial in our Fire Worship Sect?"

"Li Bing is a Guardian in the Fire Worship Sect 4,000 years ago, and he's currently a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?"

The newly arrived elders and disciples of Fire Worship Sect were in shock. Naturally, none of them expected the Fire Worship Sect to have a Bodiless Celestial, let alone a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

“4,000 years ago, Senior Chen Yi Ru was slightly stronger than our old ancestor. Currently, they’re both Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. I wonder who’s going to emerge victorious in this battle!” Many people were, naturally, curious about this.

“Based on the current situation, it seems like they’re evenly matched!”

“Just wait. There’ll definitely be a winner and a loser.”

“That’s right. We just have to wait.”

Although these people could not see the battle between Li Bing and Chen Yi Ru, it did not dampen their curiosity toward the result of the battle.

Among those present, only Duan Ling Tian could catch Li Bing and Chen Yi Ru’s movements. He thought to himself he watched them, ‘This Li Bing is not weak... They’ve exchanged more than a hundred blows but nobody has gained the upper hand yet!’

After a while, Chen Yi Ru cast two out of his three strongest saber techniques, the Peerless Saber and the World Annihilation Saber. He did not cast the World Cleansing Technique since the technique was more effective when used to deal with huge groups of people. Although the World Cleansing Saber was powerful, he risked injuring the people in the Fire Worship Sect. Since his master’s sister-in-law was the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, he did not dare to indiscriminately kill the people of Fire Worship Sect.

‘He managed to withstand it!’ Duan Ling Tian was surprised when he saw Li Bing was able to hold his ground against Chen Yi Ru’s two saber techniques. After all, he knew Chen Yi Ru was stronger than the average Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. ‘Li Bing seems to be quite powerful as well.’

“Chen Yi Ru, we’ve already cast all our techniques and fought with all our strength, but we’re still evenly matched. I think it’s meaningless for us to continue this!” Li Bing said menacingly, “Although I don’t know why you’re helping Gan Ru Yan and Qing Huo, I’m warning you that it’s best if you leave as soon as possible. Otherwise, if I use my communication jade token to call Wang Chong over, you’ll definitely die if both of us join forces!”

Wang Chong!

The people from Fire Worship broke out in an uproar again when they heard Li Bing’s words. Based on their words, it was obvious they heard of Wang Chong as well.

“Wang Chong... W-wasn’t he also a Guardian of Fire Worship Sect 4,000 years ago?”

“Ancestor Wang Chong is still alive even though he failed his Celestial Ascension Tribulation?”

“If he’s still alive, it means he’s also a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!”

Meanwhile, Chen Yi Ru was astounded when he heard Li Bing’s words. He gasped. “Wang Chong? He’s a Bodiless Celestial as well?” He did not expect Wang Chong had become a Bodiless Celestial as well. Although Wang Chong was weaker than him and Li Bing, the gap in strength was not wide.

When Li Bing saw Chen Yi Ru's expression, he thought Chen Yi Ru was frightened. He sneered as he said, "Are you finally afraid? If you're afraid, leave my Fire Worship Sect now!"

However, Chen Yi Ru only remained silent.

At this time...

"Elementary Devouring Tactic!" Duan Ling Tian's Celestial Origin Energy that was mixed with Saint Origin surged out of his body quickly through his 99 Saint Veins as whirlpools began to appear around his body. A terrifying suction force that seemed capable of destroying heaven and earth began to absorb the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy in the Saint Land. It did not take long before he completely absorbed all of the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy in the Fire Worship Sect. After he was done, he continued absorbing the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy from the Saint Stone reserve in the sect. In just a blink of an eye, his strength was raised to the limit. He only took a few breaths from when he cast the assist-type Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic, to raise his strength to the limit.

'The Saint Stone reserve in the Fire Worship Sect is truly amazing! Although I've absorbed the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy there unreservedly, it's not affected at all!' Duan Ling Tian could clearly feel the condition of the Saint Stone reserve with his Divine Consciousness. Before anyone discovered the lack of Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy in the surroundings, he called out indifferently, "San Dao, retreat!"

"Yes, master," Chen Yi Ru replied immediately.

Bang!

Chen Yi Ru attacked Li Bing one final time before he retreated to stand behind Duan Ling Tian deferentially.

'Master?' Li Bing looked at Chen Yi Ru incredulously. 'Chen Yi Ru called this person master?' He instantly raised his guard before he extended his Divine Consciousness toward Duan Ling Tian. He, naturally, thought that someone whom Chen Yi Ru acknowledged as master was much stronger. When he detected Duan Ling Tian's cultivation base, he no longer paid any attention to Duan Ling Tian. Instead, he mocked Chen Yi Ru. "Chen Yi Ru, it seems like you're going backward. You're a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, but you actually acknowledged an Eminent Celestial as your master. Not only are you an embarrassment to yourself, but you're an embarrassment to Bodiless Celestials everywhere!"

"Actually, I've been very curious about this as well. Why would a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial acknowledge an Eminent Celestial as his master?" Many elders and disciples in the Fire Worship Sect had been curious about this matter as well.

"Well, maybe it's because Guardian Ling Tian's the successor of Fog Rain Progeny and the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect?"

"That seems to be the only explanation."

Although the voices of the elders and disciples of Fire Worship were not loud, Li Bing, naturally, heard every single word. His eyes brightened immediately like the dazzling stars at night.

“The successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, the First Absolute of Seven Absolutes Sect, and the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect?” He shifted his gaze away from Chen Yi Ru to Duan Ling Tian immediately. He asked in a hurried and excited tone, “Are... Are you Duan Ling Tian?”

“You’ve heard of me?” Duan Ling Tian raised an eyebrow.

When Li Bing heard this, he laughed uproariously. “How unexpected! It’s pointless to search high and low when one would usually find it when one least expected it!” He laughed for a long time before he stopped. He was extremely excited.

Li Bing had planned to return to the Fire Worship Sect to remove Gan Ru Yan from the position of Sect Leader of the Fire Worship Sect when he was given leave from the dragon clan. Although he wished to kill Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect, the mission Di Chen had given him was much more important. He could only forget about it since searching for Duan Ling Tian would take too much time! However, who knew he would find Duan Ling Tian in the Fire Worship Sect? He could kill Duan Ling Tian now and avenge Tang Xuan. Moreover, he would be able to brag about this when he returned to the dragon clan. He could kill two birds with one stone! Now that Duan Ling Tian had presented himself to him, how could he not be delighted or excited?

Chapter 2373 Where Did His Confidence Come From?

While Li Bing was laughing loudly, Duan Ling Tian spat out a word indifferently, “Idiot!” Although his voice was not loud, it was not drowned out by the sound of Li Bing’s laughter. Everyone clearly heard his word.

Idiot!

Li Bing stopped laughing immediately as though someone had strangled him in an attempt to stop him from laughing.

At this moment, everyone’s eyes were trained on Duan Ling Tian.

“Did Duan Ling Tian just call the old ancestor an idiot? D-did I hear wrongly?” A disciple of Fire Worship Sect asked in surprise.

“You didn’t hear wrongly. He really did call the old ancestor an idiot!” Another disciple gulped as he stared at Duan Ling Tian. He wondered why Duan Ling Tian was so bold as to call the old ancestor of Fire Worship Sect an idiot. The old ancestor was evenly matched with his follower and was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial after all. Moreover, the old ancestor even said the Fire Worship Sect had another Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial that could come at any time. If the two old ancestors from Fire Worship Sect joined forces, Duan Ling Tian’s follower definitely would not stand a chance against them.

At this moment, almost all the elders and disciples of Fire Worship Sect shared the same thought. They shook their heads as they looked at Duan Ling Tian. They thought he had gone insane.

“Crazy! Duan Ling Tian must be crazy!”

“We shouldn’t offend the Eminent Celestials in the Dao Martial Saint Land, but we definitely can’t offend the Bodiless Celestials who are even stronger than Eminent Celestials. Duan Ling Tian is seeking death by acting in this manner!”

“To call the old ancestor an idiot, I wonder where his confidence came from. If the old ancestor calls his companion over, even his follower who’s also a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial won’t be a match for them at all!”

Meanwhile, Li Bing stared at Duan Ling Tian coldly. “How... how dare you call me an idiot!” An energy surged out of his body immediately and turned into a streak of flame that shot up into the skies, causing the void to ripple and distort. Many small void cracks appeared around him like tiny snakes, shocking everyone who saw it.

Duan Ling Tian did not respond to Li Bing’s words, he only said nonchalantly, “I’ll give you a chance. Swear on the lightning penalty oath that you won’t return to the Fire Worship Sect and that you’d no longer interfere in the sect’s matters. After that, get out of my sight and leave the sect at your fastest speed.”

Duan Ling Tian’s words caused everyone to fall silent. Everyone thought they were having auditory hallucinations.

When Li Bing heard Duan Ling Tian’s words, he was so shocked that he thought he had misheard Duan Ling Tian. The Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect, who was merely an Eminent Celestial, actually demanded that he swear on the lightning penalty oath?

When the elders and disciples of the Fire Worship Sect recovered from their shock, they began to discuss among themselves.

“Did I hear wrongly again? Did Duan Ling Tian really ask the old ancestor to swear on the lightning penalty oath and leave the sect?”

“I thought I heard wrongly as well, but both of us didn’t hear wrongly. He really said that!”

“Heavens! Can someone please tell me where Duan Ling Tian got his confidence from to actually say something like this?”

The Guardians of the Fire Worship Sect were, naturally, curious. Similar to the elders and disciples of the sect, they also wondered where Duan Ling Tian’s confidence came from.

“Didn’t Guardian Ling Tian hear that the old ancestor’s companion is also a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial and might come to the sect?”

“He’s only an Eminent Celestial. Although his follower is also a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, I don’t think he’ll be able to deal with two Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials if they join forces...”

“Where did his confidence come from?”

The Guardians of Fire Worship Sect knew Duan Ling Tian for a long time now and they remembered all his feats. Whenever he acted, he would not suffer any losses. No one would think he had a chance, but he would end up shocking everyone at the end. Therefore, they did not think Duan Ling Tian was acting impudently just because of his ego and pride. They were certain he had something up his sleeve although they did not know what it was. All of them were extremely curious and could not help speculating among themselves.

“Is it possible that Guardian Ling Tian has another follower who’s also a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial servant?”

“Or maybe he has some tricks up his sleeve due to his position as the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect?”

Zi Feng who had turned to look at Duan Ling Tian suddenly discovered something odd. “Huh?” He quickly transmitted his voice to Qing Huo. “Guardian Qing Huo, Ru Yan doesn’t seem surprised by Duan Ling Tian’s words to the old ancestor! Based on how relaxed she looks, it seems like she’s fully confident Guardian Ling Tian is able to deal with the old ancestor. You should ask her why Duan Ling Tian is so confident!”

Qing Huo instinctively turned to look at Gan Ru Yan, his direct disciple and the new Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect. Indeed, she looked very calm as though she was not worried at all. He instantly transmitted his voice to her. “Ru Yan... Why is Guardian Ling Tian so confident? He even dares to speak to the old ancestor in such a careless manner!”

Gan Ru Yan was slightly startled when she heard her master’s words. When she regained her senses, she quickly replied to him through Voice Transmission, “Master, let alone this old ancestor, even if there are two Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, they still won’t be a match for him! He’s confident because of his strength. Why do you think Chen Yi Ru, a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, would willingly acknowledge him as his master? Chen Yi Ru’s far weaker compared to him.” She did not hide anything from her master and told him the truth.

Qing Huo gasped in astonishment when he heard Gan Ru Yan’s words. “What?”

Even if the two old ancestors from Fire Worship Sect joined forces, they still would not be a match for Duan Ling Tian? Also, Chen Yi Ru acknowledged Duan Ling Tian as his master because he was much weaker than Duan Ling Tian?

“I-isn’t he just an Eminent Celestial?” Qing Huo quickly transmitted his voice to Gan Ru Yan again. “He’s just an Eminent Celestial. I’m very certain he’s not a Bodiless Celestial. Let alone one Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, how could he be even stronger than two Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials?”

“Master, it’s true that he’s an Eminent Celestial, but he’s different from ordinary Eminent Celestials in the Dao Martial Saint Land,” Gan Ru Yan replied through Voice Transmission, “In short, there’s no need for us to worry. He can easily deal with two Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials.”

Qing Huo would not believe these absurd words if it was spoken by other people even if he was beaten to death. However, he believed his direct disciple would not lie to him. After a while, he relayed Gan Ru Yan’s words to Zi Feng through Voice Transmission.

“What? Ru Yan said that even if two Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials join forces, they still wouldn’t be a match for Guardian Ling Tian? H-how’s that possible?” Zi Feng was, naturally, in shock when he heard this. Soon after, he relayed this information to Hong Yun and Leng Yin as well, causing both of them to be equally as shocked.

Meanwhile, Li Bing who had regained his senses was trembling in anger. He said incredulously, "You're giving me a chance to swear on the lightning penalty oath that I won't return to the Fire Worship Sect and won't interfere with the sect's matter from now on? Moreover, you want me to get out of your sight?" He seemed as though he was about to attack as he bellowed, "Duan Ling Tian! You're seeking death!"

Just as Li Bing was about to attack, Zi Feng suddenly cried out with a grave expression on his face, "Old ancestor!"

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"Hmm?" Li Bing came to a halt when he heard Zi Feng calling out to him. He dispelled his force and turned to glare at Zi Feng. A hint of doubt could be seen in the rage that was swimming in his eyes.

When Li Bing had just arrived, he learned that Zi Feng was the leader of the Guardians of Fire Worship Sect. Since he was also the head of the Guardians of Fire Worship Sect 4,000 years ago, he was somewhat partial toward Zi Feng. If someone else had called out to him at this moment, he would not have paid them any attention.

When Zi Feng saw Li Bing looking at him, he quickly sent Li Bing a Voice Transmission. "Old ancestor, Guardian Qing Huo's direct disciple, Gan Ru Yan, said that even if you join forces with another Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, you still won't be a match for Duan Ling Tian!"

Initially, Li Bing thought Zi Feng had something important to tell him, but he ended up laughing when he heard Zi Feng's words. After a while, he looked at Zi Feng and said loudly without using Voice Transmission, "You're saying even if I join forces with another Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, we still won't be a match for Duan Ling Tian?"

Li Bing's words caused the onlookers to break out in a commotion again.

"It seems like Guardian Zi Feng sent a Voice Transmission to warn the old ancestor that he wouldn't be a match for Guardian Ling Tian even if another Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial came to help him..."

"You're right..."

"Did Guardian Zi Feng go crazy as well?"

The elders and disciples of Fire Worship Sect were bewildered when they looked at Zi Feng. They could not figure out why he would say something so absurd to their old ancestor who was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

"Duan Ling Tian is merely an Eminent Celestial. Even if his follower is a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, they still can't stand up to the two old ancestors who are Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials!"

"You're right!"

"Do you think Guardian Zi Feng is trying to protect Duan Ling Tian by sending that Voice Transmission to the old ancestor?"

Zi Feng spluttered, "You..." He did not expect Li Bing would reveal his Voice Transmission to everyone. Apart from that, he did not expect that most people would think he was trying to protect Duan Ling Tian.

"Shut up!" Li Bing barked, interrupting Zi Feng, "You won't be able to protect Duan Ling Tian. He'll have to die today! I'll deal with you after I kill him!" Not only did he not believe Zi Feng's words, but he even threatened Zi Feng.

The other three Guardians of Fire Worship Sect could not help but smile bitterly when they saw this. Although they had expected Li Bing's reaction, they still felt helpless. They knew if they were in Li Bing's shoes, they would not believe these words as well. The reason they had so readily believed this was due to their trust in each other, and they knew Gan Ru Yan was not the kind of person to make things up.

Duan Ling Tian found it quite funny when Li Bing rejected Zi Feng's good intention. Then, he turned to look at Li Bing coldly and said, "Li Bing! It seems like you have no intention of swearing on the lightning penalty oath..."

Li Bing's energy surged from his body. A wave of terrifying energy rolled out his body as he sneered. "Who are you to demand me to swear on the lightning penalty oath?"

"Well, don't say I didn't give you a chance," Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes and said indifferently, "Since you don't appreciate this chance, you can stay in the sect forever!" Based on his words, it was clear that he was going to make Li Bing stay in the sect forever by killing him.

"Stop bragging!" Li Bing was enraged by Duan Ling Tian and lunged toward him like a beast.

Duan Ling Tian stomped his feet. He looked fearless as he said, "You'll know soon enough if I'm merely bragging or not!"

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

As soon as Li Bing made a move, Duan Ling Tian vanished into thin air, leaving only Chen Yi Ru behind.

"How fast!" Duan Ling Tian's speed, naturally, surprised the four Guardians of the Fire Worship Sect.

Zi Feng who was at the Eighth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, in particular, was confused. 'I should be able to catch the movement of an Eminent Celestial...' At this moment, he was 101% certain that Gan Ru Yan was not lying. However, even then, what could he do? The old ancestor did not believe him at all.

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"How's this possible?" The moment when Li Bing lunged forward, he discovered Duan Ling Tian moving to him fearlessly. Initially, he had sneered when he saw this. However, only a shocked expression remained on his face when he saw Duan Ling Tian's speed that was comparable to his. 'T-this... How's this the speed of an Eminent Celestial? This is clearly the speak of a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!'

Li Bing began to panic. 'He's obviously an Eminent Celestial... I don't feel the aura of a Bodiless Celestial from him. How can an Eminent Celestial be so fast?'

Bang!

A loud sound resonated in the air as Li Bing slammed both his palms down on the void. It did not take long before tiny void cracks began to appear. He took this chance to fly higher up in the sky, avoiding Duan Ling Tian who was charging at him.

Duan Ling Tian's expression remained calm as he lifted his hand and his Celestial Origin Energy that was mixed with Saint Origin formed a sword ray that eventually turned into a three-foot-long sword in his hand. All these had happened in just a blink of an eye.

Duan Ling Tian and Li Bing were moving in different directions when Duan Ling Tian said in a low voice, "Sword Wielding Art!" In just an instant, the three-foot-long sword flew out as fast as lightning, looking like a shooting star that shot across the sky.

Swoosh!

The sounds of a sword's cry rang in the air as the sword ray flashed in Li Bing's eyes.

'How fast!' This thought appeared in Li Bing's mind when he felt an intense pain in his right shoulder. He instinctively turned to look and found his right arm had been cleanly severed. He did not even see how the sword had severed his arm.

When Duan Ling Tian finally stopped moving and reappeared before everyone's eyes, many long void cracks could be seen around him. It was clear that these long void cracks were caused by Duan Ling Tian's sword. They also saw Li Bing's arm had been cleanly severed when he appeared.

"H-how's this possible?"

"Did Guardian Ling Tian just sever the old ancestor's arm?"

However, it did not take long before some sort of energy surged out of Li Bing's wound.

Everyone watched as Li Bing regenerated an arm that looked no different from the arm that had been severed by Duan Ling Tian.

Bodiless Celestials were different from humans after all. Their bodies were made from energy. As long as they were not killed, most of the time they would be able to regenerate their bodies.

Li Bing's expression turned to one of shock and disbelief when he looked at Duan Ling Tian. "F-five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? Your attack is comparable to the strength of Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials!" He was bewildered. How was it possible for an Eminent Celestial to possess the strength of a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

Before Duan Ling Tian could reply, Chen Yi Ru who was standing in the distance scoffed loudly. "Li Bing, I'm afraid you're unaware that my master is Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang's successor. He has already obtained Senior Feng Qing Yang's legacy!"

'Feng Qing Yang?' Li Bing's expression darkened immediately. 'H-how could I have forgotten that? During his time, Feng Qing Yang could kill Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials even though he was only an Eminent Celestial.' Fear began to flood Li Bing's heart when he thought about this.

Chapter 2375 Killed a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

At this moment, all the contempt and arrogance could no longer be seen in Li Bing's eyes as he looked at Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian was the current successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, the First Absolute, and the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect. This meant he had inherited the techniques from Feng Qing Yang. Perhaps, he might not be able to compare to Feng Qing Yang who had killed an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, but his earlier attack that left narrow and long void cracks was still comparable to a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. Although these void cracks were closing up at a speed that was visible to naked eyes, it would still take fifteen minutes for it to completely close.

'An Eminent Celestial whose attack is comparable to that of a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial...' Li Bing's eyes widened in fear as his heart pounded loudly in his chest.

Duan Ling Tian looked at Li Bing indifferently and said, "You're quite lucky... I'm surprised that the attack didn't kill you... However, I'm afraid you won't be as lucky next..." He was calm, and his gaze was dismissive as though nothing in the world was worth his notice.

When Duan Ling Tian had attacked earlier, he had casually attacked in the general direction of Li Bing who had flown higher up into the sky. He did not use his Divine Consciousness to lock on to his target. If he did, Li Bing would not have been able to dodge that attack or survive.

Swoosh!

As though it was sentient, after Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, the three-foot-long sword that had flown out and severed Li Bing's arm turned around and returned to Duan Ling Tian's hand.

The three-foot-long sword was formed by Duan Ling Tian's Celestial Origin Energy that was mixed with Saint Origin. When it attacked earlier, it had consumed some of the energy, causing it to lose some of its shine. Now that it had returned to the Duan Ling Tian's hand and absorbed the energy that was surging out of his body, it regained its shine again.

"Duan Ling Tian, you... You can't kill me! You can't kill me!" Li Bing's face was ashen as he stared at Duan Ling Tian who held the sword and was staring at him coldly.

Li Bing's voice that was laden with fear snapped the onlookers back to their senses. They gulped when they recalled Duan Ling Tian severing Li Bing's arm with just a move. Moreover, based on Li Bing's words, Duan Ling Tian's attack was comparable to that of a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

"Is... Is this a joke? Although Duan Ling Tian's an Eminent Celestial, his attack is comparable to that of a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?"

"T-that's impossible, right?"

"Eminent Celestials are as strong as Second Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, right? And Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestials are stronger than Eminent Celestials... To think his attack is comparable to Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials..."

“How unbelievable!”

Many of the elders and disciples from the Fire Worship Sect were dumbfounded. They could not comprehend how Duan Ling Tian’s attack was comparable to a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial when he was only an Eminent Celestial.

Even the four Guardians of Fire Worship Sect were stunned even though Gan Ru Yan had already told them that Duan Ling Tian was stronger than Li Bing. After all, seeing was different from just hearing about it.

“Although he’s an Eminent Celestial, his attack is comparable to a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?”

Meanwhile, Feng Tian Wu who was standing next to Ke’er in the distance looked at Duan Ling Tian with amazement in her eyes. ‘Big Brother Duan... He hasn’t even entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone that Ancestor Feng Qing Yang left behind, but his attacks are so formidable even though he’s only an Eminent Celestial.’

As the successor of the Blazing Phoenix Progeny, the Fifth Absolute of the Seven Absolutes Sect, Feng Tian Wu, naturally, knew that Feng Qing Yang had killed an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial when he was just an Eminent Celestial. She would not be surprised that Duan Ling Tian was as strong as Feng Qing Yang if she didn’t know that Duan Ling Tian had yet to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

Feng Tian Wu continued to mull over this matter. “Is it possible that Brother Duan has already entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone? No, that’s impossible. One of the keys to enter the Saint Sword Secret Zone is still with Senior Uncle Prophet... Senior Uncle Prophet said that the successors of the Six Absolutes can also enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone to look for opportunities to improve ourselves. Senior Uncle Prophet would definitely notify us if Big Brother Duan decided to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone.’ After a while, she concluded that Duan Ling Tian had yet to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone. ‘Senior Uncle Prophet used to say that even without entering the Sword Saint Secret Zone, when Big Brother Duan becomes an Eminent Celestial and comprehends the basic inheritance, the Sovereign Sword Heart, that was left by Ancestor Feng Qing Yang, his strength would be comparable to a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. However, Big Brother Duan is so much stronger than that. Could he have had some fortuitous encounter? Senior Uncle Prophet really underestimated Big Brother Duan...’

Duan Ling Tian would have been extremely shocked if he could read Feng Tian Wu’s mind. As it turned out, the Sovereign Heart Sword of the Supreme Sword Dao Mental Cultivation Method that he obtained was only a basic inheritance that Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang left behind. The second part of the inheritance that Feng Qing Yang left behind was in a place called the Sword Saint Secret Zone. Most importantly, after he entered and came out from the Sword Saint Secret Zone, his strength would improve to the point where he could also kill Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials even though he was only an Eminent Celestial!

When Duan Ling Tian heard Li Bing’s words, he laughed before he sneered at Li Bing. “I can’t kill you? Why can’t I kill you? Because you’re one of the old ancestors of Fire Worship Sect? Have you forgotten that I’m not a member of the sect? It means nothing to me that you’re an old ancestor of the sect.”

“I’m a member of the dragon clan... I have the support of the powerhouses from the dragon clan. You can’t afford to offend any of them!” Li Bing seemed as though he had been given a lifebuoy when he spoke about the dragon clan.

“The dragon clan?” Duan Ling Tian laughed again when he heard Li Bing’s words. “How unexpected for an ancestor of the Fire Worship Sect to identify as a member of the dragon clan at the moment between life and death. So what you’re saying is that you’ve betrayed the Fire Worship Sect and joined the dragon clan?”

As soon as Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, everyone from the Fire Worship Sect shifted their attention to Li Bing. Hints of confusion and incredulity could be seen in their eyes at this moment. None of them expected the old ancestor would say he was a member of the dragon clan. Was he not the old ancestor of Fire Worship Sect? When and how did he become a member of the dragon clan?

“Duan Ling Tian!” Li Bing’s expression darkened when he saw the members of Fire Worship Sect staring at him intently. “You’re the current Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect so you should know what I mean. Why are you feigning innocence?”

“Feigning innocence?” Duan Ling Tian laughed. “Sorry, I don’t understand what you mean. Why don’t you explain to us why you said you’re a member of the dragon clan and why you think the dragon clan would protect you?”

“You!” Li Bing was so infuriated that he almost threw up a mouthful of blood. How could he explain anything? If he explained himself, he would have to reveal the secret of the dragon and phoenix clans being the puppet masters behind the three great sects. If he revealed that, the dragon clan would definitely punish him with the Soul Refinement Penalty to torture him for eighty-one days before killing him! This was the punishment meted out to those who revealed this secret.

Duan Ling Tian’s eyes turned cold when he saw Li Bing keeping quiet. “Since you have nothing to say, I’ll send you off now!” He extended his Divine Consciousness to lock on to Li Bing.

“No!” When Li Bing discovered Duan Ling Tian had used his Divine Consciousness to lock onto him, he was furious and scared. He knew what this meant!

Swoosh!

The sound of a sword cry rang in the air as the sword ray flashed past Li Bing’s eyes...

In just a blink of an eye, Li Bing seemed to have lost consciousness. He did not even have time to react.

The members of the Fire Worship Sect, including the Guardians, were shocked.

“Is the old ancestor... dead?”

“It’s... It’s...”

When Feng Tian Wu saw this, she was stunned as well. ‘To be able to kill so swiftly and cleanly... I’m afraid Big Brother Duan is much stronger than ordinary Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials.

Duan Ling Tian, the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny and the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect had killed a powerhouse who was the Guardian of the Fire Worship Sect 4,000 years ago. The powerhouse was Li Bing, a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

Not only did it cause a commotion in the western region when word of it spread out, but it caused a commotion in the entire Dao Martial Saint Land.

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“The Fire Worship Sect’s Bodiless Celestial has been revealed to the world!”

“The Bodiless Celestial from the Fire Worship Sect was a Guardian in the sect 4,000 years ago. His name was Li Bing, and he was ranked third on the Supreme Saint Ranking at that time. About 4,000 years ago, he failed the Celestial Ascension Tribulation and became a Bodiless Celestial.”

“Since he has successfully passed the Bodiless Celestial Tribulations in the last 4,000 years, this means he’s a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!”

“Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestials are much stronger than Eminent Celestials... To think Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestials are much stronger than Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestials!”

The people from the Fire Worship Sect, the western region, and the Dao Martial Saint Land were shocked by the appearance of a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in the Fire Worship Sect. However, this was not the most shocking thing that they had heard.

“Duan Ling Tian, the current successor of the Fog Rain Progeny and the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect killed Li Bing, the Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, in the Fire Worship Sect’s estate!”

This caused a great uproar in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

“Isn’t Duan Ling Tian an Eminent Celestial? How’s it possible for an Eminent Celestial who’s weaker than a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial to kill a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?”

“According to the information about Bodiless Celestials that was spread in the Upper Province, Eminent Celestials are weaker than Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestials... How did he manage to kill a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?”

“This must be a joke!”

It did not take long before another piece of information was spread in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land, causing a sensation. However, no one knew who had spread word of this.

“During his time, Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang had killed an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial even though he was only an Eminent Celestial!”

“Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang killed an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial when he was only an Eminent Celestial? He... He was actually so powerful?”

“If it’s true, then, it’s not surprising that Duan Ling Tian managed to kill a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. After all, Duan Ling Tian and Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang are the successors of the Fog Rain Progeny!”

“Moreover, it’s said that Duan Ling Tian is also the successor of Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang!”

People no longer doubted Duan Ling Tian’s strength when they learned that Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang had killed an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial even though he was just an Eminent Celestial. However, this did not mean that they were no longer shocked.

“Duan Ling Tian the current Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect is strong enough to kill a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial... Is there anyone who’s a match for him in the three great sects?”

“Yes. Since no one’s stronger than him in the three great sects, this means he can eradicate all three sects if he so wishes, right?”

“The new Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect is his sister-in-law. I don’t think he’ll destroy the Fire Worship Sect... However, what about the Black Ksetra Sect and the Heaven Divination Sect... Does Duan Ling Tian have any enemies in the two sects?”

While everyone was in an uproar over this matter in the Dao Martial Saint Land, the Black Kshetra Sect and the Heaven Divination Sect were in shock as well.

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In the Black Kshetra Sect.

“Duan Ling Tian is strong enough to kill a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?” The expression of Lang Qian Jin, the Supreme Elder of Black Kshetra Sect, darkened and his eyes were filled with incredulity and amazement. “He has grown so strong in just a few years!”

He still remembered when he brought people from the Black Kshetra Sect to seek revenge from Duan Ling Tian. At that time, Duan Ling Tian still had to rely on Tang Xuan, the former Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect. Although he was strong, at that time, he was only slightly stronger than Hao Shuang who was the strongest person under the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage.

After only a few years, Duan Ling Tian did not only grow strong enough to kill Tang Xuan, the former Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, but he even killed Li Bing, a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, from Fire Worship Sect!

Lang Qian Jin’s expression turned grimmer as he continued thinking to himself. ‘He managed to kill a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial of the Fire Worship Sect... We don’t even have any Bodiless Celestials in our Black Kshetra Sect!’ After a while, his thoughts changed and a puzzled expression appeared on his face. ‘I’ve never heard of the Fire Worship Sect having Bodiless Celestials. I wonder where did Li Bing come from?’

Lang Qian Jin was not the only one who was worried in the Black Kshetra Sect. When the others heard the news, they began to panic and wonder if they should pack up and seek refuge elsewhere.

After all, if Duan Ling Tian decided to destroy the Black Kshetra Sect, there was no way they could stop him at all. Nobody would be able to escape unscathed.

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In the Heaven Divination Sect.

“Pass my order down. Recall all the members who are searching for the members of Seven Absolutes Sect! From today onward, don’t provoke the Seven Absolutes Sect if possible!” Mo Xuan, the Great Oracle of Heaven Divination Sect, ordered. When he heard the news from the western region about Duan Ling Tian killing a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, he quickly prohibited the members of Heaven Divination Sect from provoking the people from Seven Absolutes Sect.

When the low-ranking members of the Heaven Divination Sect heard Mo Xuan’s order, they were not surprised and only sighed in relief. However, the sect was shrouded in a subdued air.

“Rumor has it that every time the Seven Absolutes Sect appears in the world, it signifies the coming of a new era. Previously, the Seven Absolutes Sect rose to unprecedented prominence due to Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. I wonder if Duan Ling Tian will walk in his footsteps as well.”

“Duan Ling Tian is too strong! He’s only an Eminent Celestial, but he managed to kill a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial... I wonder what his true strength is like? Is it comparable to Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang during that year?”

Swoosh!

After Mo Xuan, the Great Oracle of the Heaven Divination Sect, passed down his order, he flew out of the Heaven Divination Sect’s estate immediately and made his way to the Black Kshetra Sect. He could not help but worry. Although he had prohibited his people from provoking the Seven Absolutes Sect, no one knew if Duan Ling Tian would lead the people of Seven Absolutes Sect to destroy the Heaven Divination Sect. For this reason, he decided to head to Black Kshetra Sect to discuss countermeasures against the Seven Absolutes Sect with Lang Qian Jin.

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Somewhere in a remote mountain in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

“After just a few years, Duan Ling Tian has grown so strong?”

Before being defeated by Duan Ling Tian, Hao Shuang was widely acknowledged as the strongest person below the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage in the Dao Martial Saint Land.

Just a few days ago, Hao Shuang had just broken through to the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. He had intended to seek revenge from Duan Ling Tian, but after he heard that Duan Ling Tian had killed Tang Xuan and Li Bing, the former Sect Leader and Guardian from the Fire Worship Sect respectively, he instantly changed his mind.

What a joke! Not to mention breaking through to the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, even if he had passed the Celestial Ascension Tribulation and became an Eminent Celestial, it would still be impossible for him to defeat Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian was not just an Eminent Celestial, he was an Eminent Celestial who was capable of killing a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

'From today onward, I'll kill all thoughts of opposing Duan Ling Tian!' Hao Shuang was resolute in his promise not to provoke Duan Ling Tian.

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In fact, Hao Shuang was not the only one who had given up on revenge. Many people from various parts of the Upper Province of Dao Martial Saint Land who had enmity with Duan Ling Tian also gave up on the idea of seeking revenge from him.

These people knew they were destined not to be a match for Duan Ling Tian in this life. If they insisted on seeking revenge from him, they would only die.

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"Monster! What a monster!" Gu Li exclaimed to himself, "Isn't Junior Brother Ling Tian's strength too outrageous? He hasn't even entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone... Before this, I thought that after he enters the Sword Saint Secret Zone, even if he can't kill an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial like Ancestor Feng Qing Yang, he would still be able to kill a Six or Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. However, based on what happened, if he were to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone now, his strength would probably be comparable to Ancestor Feng Qing Yang when he comes out."

Gu Li, the successor of the Kratos Progeny, the Third Absolute of the Seven Absolutes Sect, was amazed when he heard about Duan Ling Tian's latest feat. Although he was previously unaware that Duan Ling Tian was the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, he had known that the strength of the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny would increase exponentially after he had entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

Since Duan Ling Tian was capable of killing a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial before he even entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone, it was not difficult for him to imagine that Duan Ling Tian's strength would be on par with Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang after he entered and came out from the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

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Meanwhile.

All the other successors of the Seven Absolutes who were located in different places were similarly shocked when they heard the news from the western region. Their thoughts were quite similar to Gu Li's thoughts as well. All of them felt that Duan Ling Tian's strength would be able to compare to Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang during that year.

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When the news about Duan Ling Tian killing Li Bing finally spread to all nooks and crannies in the Upper Province, a month had passed since he had killed Li Bing. Based on this, one could see how fast the news had spread. Many powerhouses at the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage or above had helped the news as well. That was how the news had spread so quickly in just one month.

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In the dragon clan.

“Lord Di Chen, the matter has been clearly investigated...”

In a beautiful valley with singing birds and fragrant flowers, there was an arbor at the hillside. A man was seen respectfully reporting to a handsome young man in the arbor.

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“Speak.” In the pavilion, a handsome young man looked at the man standing outside the pavilion indifferently as he put away the guzheng that was floating in front of him.

“Yes,” the man replied deferentially, “Li Bing had returned to the Fire Worship Sect even though it has nothing to do with the mission Lord Di Chen has sent him on. He had gone back to the sect to remove the new sect leader. He was very unhappy that the new sect leader has made a rule to prohibit members from the sect from antagonizing the Seven Absolutes Sect! Everything he did subsequently also had nothing to do with Lord Di Chen’s mission. He fought with the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny because he wanted to seek revenge for the former sect leader and show off to the Bodiless Celestials from the Black Kshetra Sect and Heaven Divination Sect.” He paused for a moment before he finally concluded his report. “To sum it up, Li Bing deserved an end worse than death!”

The handsome young man was Di Chen who had sent Li Bing out on a mission. He narrowed his eyes and said, “Indeed. He deserved an end worse than death!” His voice was so cold that it made the man standing outside the pavilion feel as though winter had arrived.

Di Chen’s eyes flashed coldly as he said, “However, even if he deserved an end worse than death, he was my man. We need to find out more about the person who killed Li Bing to avoid trouble in the future. Moreover, since he killed my man, I, naturally, have to obtain an explanation from him!”

As soon as Di Chen finished speaking, he disappeared from the pavilion and appeared above the valley. He said to the man outside of the pavilion, “Follow me to the Fire Worship Sect!”

The man who was outside the pavilion was not a Bodiless Celestial from the Fire Worship Sect, the Black Kshetra Sect or the Heaven Divination Sect. Similar to Di Chen, he was from the dragon clan. Currently, he had taken on the form of a middle-aged man.

“Yes, Lord Di Chen!” The middle-aged man instantly rose up into the sky and followed Di Chen. As he stared at Di Chen’s back, a frown appeared on his face. After a while, a hint of hesitance could be heard in his voice as he said in an attempt to dissuade Di Chen, ‘Our dragon clan has an agreement with Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang in the past. As long as the Seven Absolutes Sect doesn’t destroy the three great sects, we won’t intervene with any of their disputes. Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect, killing Li Bing can be considered as just a dispute between Seven Absolutes Sect and the Fire Worship Sect. I’m afraid it’s inappropriate for you to act, Lord Di Chen. If the Supreme Elder or Lord Patriarch find out about this, I’m afraid they won’t allow you to act as well.’

However, Di Chen scoffed coldly. He said arrogantly, “If you don’t tell them about it, how will they know? Moreover, I’m only going to look for the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect for an explanation. If he sincerely kneels on the ground and apologizes, I’ll punish him lightly at the most”

When the middle-aged man heard Di Chen’s words, he laughed helplessly. ‘Kneel and apologize?’ That person was the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny and the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect.

Moreover, he was also Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang's direct successor. Such a person might not even kneel if the Patriarch of the dragon clan was there!

"Lord Di Chen..." The middle-aged man said. He still intended to try and dissuade Di Chen.

However, Di Chen did not give the middle-aged man a chance to finish his words. He barked, "Shut up! Come with me to the Fire Worship Sect. If I find out that you tell anyone about this matter, I won't spare you!" After he finished speaking, he waved his hand.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

Thunderous sounds rang in the air as Di Chen waved his hand. A majestic and terrifying force shot out of his hand and brought the middle-aged man along with him as he flew at an incredibly fast speed. In just a blink of an eye, they had left the valley, the dragon clan, and the 100,000 Towering Mountains! From afar, they looked like a shooting star falling across the sky from the eastern region to the western region.

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Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian was unaware of what was happening. After he killed Li Bing, the Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, a month ago, he had bid Gan Ru Yan, the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, goodbye and left the sect with Ke'er, Duan Si Ling, and Feng Tian Wu. They all decided to go to the northern region where the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate was located. Naturally, Chen Yi Ru, the Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, tagged along as well. Since Chen Yi Ru's two servants had already acknowledged Gan Ru Yan as their master, both of them, naturally, stayed at the Fire Worship Sect to assist her.

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The western region snowed throughout the year.

A palace was built in a valley on one of the snow mountains.

Duan Ling Tian had arrived at the Seven Absolutes Sect for a month now. When they arrived, Feng Tian Wu had introduced him to the former successor of the Prophet Progeny, the Old Prophet. However, he had yet to meet the former successor of the Red Dust Progeny who was also Han Xue Nai's master since she was not around.

However, when Duan Ling Tian had arrived at the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate, the Old Prophet had contacted the former successor of the Red Dust Progeny, Han Xue Nai's master, and asked for her return. This was so she could use her power to call for the return of the other successors of the Seven Absolutes.

The day where all the successors of the Seven Absolutes would gather was nigh!

During this month, Duan Ling Tian had learned many things from the Old Prophet. Among them was the matter where the Old Prophet sent Yue Wu Ying, the current successor of the Dark Shadow Progeny, to the Azure Cloud Mansion in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land to help his father. Moreover, he also learned that Nangong twins, the current successors of the Didymus Progeny, the Sixth

Absolutes, were personally chosen by the Old Prophet because of their connection to Duan Ling Tian. In Gu Li and Feng Tian Wu's case, it was a coincidence. The Old Prophet also revealed that he had nothing to do with Han Xue Nai being the successor of the Red Dust Progeny since she was handpicked by her master, the former successor of the Red Dust Progeny.

At this moment, two men were sitting in front of a square table in a pavilion near the palace. One of the men was Duan Ling Tian, and the other man was the former successor of the Prophet Progeny, the Second Absolute of the Seven Absolutes Sect, the Old Prophet!

"Junior Uncle Prophet, is there something on your mind?" Duan Ling Tian asked with a hint of curiosity. He truly respected the Old Prophet, a senior in the Seven Absolutes Sect. He did not look down on the Old Prophet even though he was much stronger than him or because he was the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect.

"You've been here for a month now... Did you get enough rest?" The Old Prophet asked gently.

"Hmm." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

The Old Prophet did not beat around the bush and stated his intention directly, "I plan to talk to you about the Sword Saint Secret Zone that Senior Feng Qing Yang left behind!" He saw Duan Ling Tian's eyes widened as he continued to say, "I'm sure that girl, Tian Wu, has already told you about the Sword Saint Secret Zone. However, she doesn't know much about it. Today, I'll tell you about the Sword Saint Secret Zone."

Duan Ling Tian nodded. He looked at the Old Prophet intently as though he was afraid he would miss even a single word from the Old Prophet. Indeed, Feng Tian Wu had told him about the Sword Saint Secret Zone when they left the Fire Worship Sect. She only told him that the Sovereign Heart Sword was not the only thing that Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang left behind. Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang had also left the second part of his inheritance in the Saint Sword Secret Zone. However, whether he would be able to successfully obtain the second part of his inheritance would depend on his luck.

Feng Tian Wu also revealed what the Old Prophet had told her. She had said that if Duan Ling Tian entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone and successfully obtained the inheritance, he would become a lot stronger. Even if his strength was not at Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang's level, the gap would not be too wide.

Duan Ling Tian was, naturally, filled with anticipation and curiosity when he heard this. However, when he arrived at the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate in the northern region, the Old Prophet did not bring up the topic of the Sword Saint Secret Zone. As a matter of fact, he had already planned to ask about the Sword Saint Secret Zone in these few days. Who knew the Old Prophet would take the initiative to speak about it today?

The Old Prophet did not waste time and began to reveal what he knew about the Sword Saint Secret Zone to Duan Ling Tian. "The Sword Saint Secret Zone..." When he spoke about the Sword Saint Secret Zone, his tone was reverent.

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Meanwhile, in the western region. The Fire Worship Sect's estate.

The Fire Worship Sect was in chaos at this moment.

A handsome young man who had traveled a long way stared at Gan Ru Yan, the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, and the high-ranking officials flanking her as he said coldly, "I'll wait for Duan Ling Tian for 10 days... After 10 days, if he doesn't show up, I'll certainly kill you!" It seemed as though he did not care that the person before him was a beautiful woman at all, causing him to look even more merciless.

As soon as he finished speaking, he arrogantly brought the middle-aged man who followed him here into Gan Ru Yan's cultivation place. He made that place his resting place as though it was normal.

Gan Ru Yan and the others did not even dare to make a sound of protest. After all, one of Gan Ru Yan's followers, the skinny middle-aged man who was at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, had been killed by the young man's servant with just a palm strike.

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"Who's that young man? Even his servant is so powerful!" Leng Yin had a grave expression on his face.

"You're right. He managed to kill the powerhouse by sect leader's side who's at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage with just a casual wave of his hand!" Hong Yun nodded in agreement. A wave of helplessness rose in her heart when she recalled the scene from earlier.

At this moment, the burly middle-aged man standing behind Gan Ru Yan who was also the skinny middle-aged man's companion said, "He's probably a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial at least!"

Since the burly middle-aged man was the strongest person in the Fire Worship Sect, even Zi Feng was weaker than him, nobody doubted his words.

"Heavens! A T-Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?"

"A Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial at least... This means he could be stronger. He could be a Four or Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!"

"Who's that young man? Even his servant is a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!"

The eyes of the high-ranking officials from the Fire Worship Sect were filled with terror as they discussed among themselves.

"I've always thought Eminent Celestials are the strongest existence in the Dao Martial Saint Land... However, it seems like Eminent Celestials are nothing compared to Bodiless Celestials!"

"Eminent Celestials are like the glow from a firefly while Bodiless Celestials are like the light from the moon!"

"I didn't expect that those who failed the Heavenly Tribulation are even stronger than Eminent Celestials!"

At this moment, all the four Guardians were looking at Gan Ru Yan.

Qing Huo said, "Ru Yan, inform him about this."

“Maybe later.” Gan Ru Yan shook her head. “Since we have ten days, let me think about it first.”

“What’s there to think about? Your life is at stake!” Qing Huo exhorted.

“What if he isn’t as strong as them?” Gan Ru Yan looked at Qing Huo with a bitter smile on her beautiful face that held a tense expression. If Duan Ling Tian was no match for them and she asked for his return, would she not bring harm to him then? Put aside the fact that she liked him, even if she did not, she could not ask for his return just to save herself. He was her sister’s husband and the father of her niece after all.

“Ru Yan...” Qing Huo opened his mouth to speak.

Gan Ru Yan interrupted him and said, “It’s fine, master... I’ll think about it!”

This was the first time Gan Ru Yan had interrupted Qing Huo when he was about to speak ever since she became his direct disciple. As soon as she finished speaking, she did not wait for his response and flew into his cultivation place. Since her cultivation place was currently occupied by the two mysterious powerhouses, she did not want to enter without their permission. Who knew if they would take offense to it? They might not kill her within these ten days, but she did not want them to kill the other members of the Fire Worship Sect just to vent their anger. She was the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, she would not sit and watch as the members of the sect died.

Qing Huo sighed. He was not angry at Gan Ru Yan since he knew her very well. ‘This lass is too soft-hearted...’

“Lord Guardian!” At this moment, one of the Vice Sect Leaders of the Fire Worship Sect looked at Qing Huo and solemnly said, “If Lord Sect Leader refuses to inform Lord Duan Ling Tian about this, those two will surely kill her after ten days. At that time, they might even vent their anger on our Fire Worship Sect!” His words echoed the thoughts of many high-ranking officials from the Fire Worship Sect.

For a moment, everyone’s eyes were trained on Qing Huo as they waited for his response.

“What? Are all of you worried Lord Sect Leader will bring harm to the sect?” Qing Huo who was already frustrated to begin with became angry when he heard the vice sect leader’s words.

As soon as the burly middle-aged man who followed Gan Ru Yan heard the exchange, he instantly turned around and glared at the Vice Sect Leader of the Fire Worship Sect.

When Zi Feng saw the burly middle-aged man turned around, he instinctively cried out, “Please have mercy!”

Bang!

The sound of an explosion rang in the air as the burly middle-aged man slapped his palm in the air. An energy shot out from his palm and killed the Vice Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect in just a blink of an eye before anyone could react.

This scene was almost identical to the scene earlier where the mysterious young man’s servant killed the burly middle-aged man’s companion with a palm strike as well... Both of them had killed effortlessly.

Under everyone's fearful eyes, the burly middle-aged man said before he entered Qing Huo's cultivation place, "Whoever dares to disrespect my master will end up like him!"

The crowd only regained their senses after the burly middle-aged man's figure disappeared from their sight.

Qing Huo only smiled helplessly when he saw this. It was obviously satisfying to see the burly middle-aged man kill the vice sect leader for disrespecting his disciple. However, as a Guardian of Fire Worship Sect, he felt a small pinch of regret when he thought about how the Fire Worship Sect had lost a powerhouse at the Sixth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Nevertheless, he knew he had no control over the burly middle-aged man's actions. After all, the burly middle-aged man only followed one person, and that was his direct disciple, Gan Ru Yan.

As for the three other Guardians from the Fire Worship Sect, they only looked at each other before they shook their heads and sighed.

Meanwhile, the other high-ranking officials from the Fire Worship Sect were completely silent. None of them dared to speak at all.

"Disperse," Zi Feng said solemnly.

As soon as Zi Feng finished speaking, all the high-ranking officials from the Fire Worship Sect sighed in relief and left immediately. Even if they felt dissatisfied, they did not dare to express it after seeing what happened.

After everyone left, Zi Feng turned to Qing Huo and said solemnly, "Guardian Qing Huo. His words sounded disrespectful, but you know it has merits. You..."

Qing Huo knew what Zi Feng was going to say so he quickly interjected, "Guardian Ling Tian gave me a communication jade token before he left... It seems like he knew Ru Yan wouldn't ask for help even if she encounters trouble. That's why he left a communication jade token with me. I'm to inform him if anything arises..."

The eyes of the Guardians brightened immediately when Qing Huo took out a jade token that Duan Ling Tian had inscribed.

"Guardian Ling Tian..." Qing Huo recounted everything that had happened with the mysterious young man and his servant as he spoke into the jade token. After he crushed the communication jade token to send the message, he sighed. 'Ru Yan, please don't blame me... I'm doing this for your own good. I told him that the young man's servant is a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial at least and that he shouldn't return if he's not confident he could take them on.'

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On one of the snow-capped peaks in the northern region...

Duan Ling Tian and Ke'Er stood side by side in a pavilion as they admired the scenery of the snow falling.

At the side, two ladies were having a snowball fight.

“Auntie Tian Wu, I got you again!”

“Si Ling is so powerful now! Auntie Tian Wu won’t go easy on you next time! You better watch out!”

“Bring it on! I’m not scared!”

When the two melodious voices rang in the air, it attracted Duan Ling Tian and Ke’er’s attention.

“Si Ling... seems to enjoy Sister Tian Wu’s company.” Ke’Er smiled.

“Yes.” Duan Ling Tian nodded with a faint smile. However, his smile froze when he sensed something.

Whoosh!

He quickly took out a jade token. As soon as he took it out, a streak of faint light shot from the southeast and merged with the jade token.

“It’s a message from the Fire Worship Sect!”

A worried expression appeared on Ke’er face as she asked, “Brother Tian, is it from my sister?”

As soon as Ke’er finished speaking, he crushed the jade token in his hand and the voice of an old man rang in the air.

“It’s Guardian Qing Huo!” Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes when he heard Qing Huo’s voice. However, it did not take long before his eyes widened in surprise. ‘A mysterious young man whose servant is at least a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? He knows about the Fire Worship Sect and my connection with Gan Ru Yan? If I’m not mistaken, these people must be from the dragon clan. The young man is probably Li Bing’s master,’ his expression continued to darken as he thought to himself, ‘However, San Dao said that killing Li Bing was justified so the dragon clan wouldn’t interfere, right?’

“Sister!” Ke’er’s expression turned grim when she learned about her sister’s predicament.

Chapter 2379 Fragments of Memories from Ke’Er’s Past life

Duan Ling Tian had just returned to the Upper Province of Dao Martial Saint Land not too long ago. The first time he was in the Upper Province, he still did not know about the existence of Bodiless Celestials. When he received the message from Qing Huo, a Guardian from the Fire Worship Sect, it was not difficult for him to guess that the mysterious young man and his servant who was probably a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial were from the dragon clan. They had probably come because he had killed Li Bing.

Duan Ling Tian was not surprised that the people from the dragon clan knew he killed Li Bing since he noticed a Mirror Image Talisman had been activated when he killed Li Bing. The entire scene was probably transmitted to the other person who held the corresponding Mirror Image Talisman. The other person should be Li Bing’s master.

‘According to San Dao, the Bodiless Celestials from the three great sects are forbidden from leaving the dragon clan unless they were sent out on a mission by their patron. However, they were only allowed temporary leave! Li Bing was definitely sent on a mission by his patron since he was allowed to leave the clan. He came to the Fire Worship Sect without permission. In this case, according to the agreement

between Senior Feng Qing Yang and the dragon and phoenix clans, Li Bing's death is the result of a direct conflict between the Seven Absolutes Sect and the Fire Worship Sect. The dragon clan has no reason to interfere at all...' Duan Ling Tian was puzzled. Why did someone from the dragon clan come for him? Did the dragon clan forget about their agreement with Feng Qing Yang?

After a while, Duan Ling Tian looked at the extremely worried Ke'er and said reassuringly, "Ke'er, don't worry... I won't allow anything to happen to your sister. I'll go look for San Dao now."

As soon as Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, he turned to leave. However, Ke'er quickly called out, "Brother Tian!"

"Hm?" Duan Ling Tian looked at Ke'er quizzically.

"Brother Tian, Guardian Qing Huo said... there's no need for you to return if you're not confident you can defeat them!" Ke'er's expression was grim when she spoke. She was, naturally, worried about her sister, but she was also worried about her husband. She would never trade her husband's life for her sister's life!

"Don't worry, I know what I'm doing." Duan Ling Tian smiled at Ke'er reassuringly before he left to find Chen Yi Ru.

Ke'er remained rooted to the spot, feeling sad. 'I'm still too weak to help...' This was not the first time she felt dejected about her strength. An idea took form in her mind at this moment as her eyes shone with determination. 'I've only tried it once, but it didn't last long. This time, I'll try to make it last longer. If I can do that, my strength will definitely improve tremendously!'

Ke'er had a secret. For fear of worrying the others, she had never spoken about it to Duan Ling Tian or Gan Ru Yan. When she was still imprisoned in the Fire Worship Sect's Enforcement Hall, a casual thought appeared in her mind and caused her to feel as though her soul was being burned. The pain was so excruciating that she could still remember how it felt. The burning pain did not last for long, but she discovered her cultivation base had risen a few stages after that. At that moment, she knew she could rapidly increase her strength and improve her cultivation base by burning her soul.

Later on, she experimented a few times and mastered the trick of burning her soul. Since it was painful, she did not attempt to try it again. However, at this moment, she mustered up all her courage and decided to burn her soul to increase her strength in a short time. This was so she would not feel so useless and helpless whenever the people she cared about were faced with danger.

Ke'er began to think of the times when she tried burning her soul. 'When I tried to burn my soul at that time, apart from the burning pain, I remembered unfamiliar scenes flashing in my mind as well... I wonder if it has anything to do with why Tang Xuan thinks I'm the reincarnation of a goddess.'

Previously, Tang Xuan, the former Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, had sworn on the lightning penalty oath that he was not lying when he said she was the reincarnation of a goddess. Although it was hard to believe, she had no choice but to believe it.

'Maybe the more I burn my soul, the more memories I'll regain from my past life!' After Ke'er discovered she was the reincarnation of a goddess, she had been curious about her past life. She wanted to know

what kind of person she was and why did she reincarnate in the mundane realm? Moreover, she wanted to know what was the intention of her cousin from her past life. All these questions had plagued her and taken roots in her heart.

'This time, I must endure the pain for as long as I can to raise my cultivation base and recover my memories from my past life!' Ke'er thought to herself resolutely as she left the pavilion to return to her room so she could cultivate.

'No matter who I am in the past. I'm Ke'er. I'm Brother Tian's wife and Si Ling's mother!' Ke'er thought to herself before she began to burn her soul. She kept repeating this phrase in her mind because she was afraid she would lose herself after regaining the memories from her past life.

At this moment, Ke'Er closed her eyes and sat cross-legged on the bed. In the beginning, she looked at peace and her body was still. However, soon after, an agonized expression could be seen on her face as her body began to tremble. It did not take long before she was drenched in her own sweat. Her teeth were chattering even though she tried clenching her jaw tightly. Blood began to dribble out from a corner of her mouth at this point.

Inside, Ke'er felt as though she was being burned. Her consciousness threatened to leave, but she managed to hold on again and again...

During this process, she began to gain more and more fragments of her memories.

Through the fragmented memories, she saw a breathtaking and gorgeous woman who was always at the center of attention no matter where she went. She was as captivating as the brightest star in the night sky. Apart from being beautiful, she was extremely powerful, capable of moving mountains and rousing the sea. With just a wave of her hand, she could change the sky's color, stop the sun from shining, and turn a 10,000-acre forest into a desolate land.

Ke'er was, naturally, shocked beyond words when she saw this. 'Is this me in my past life? Even the most powerful existence in the mundane realm, a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, seems inferior in comparison.' The beautiful woman's strength was unlike anything she could imagine.

Ke'er felt her consciousness begin to slip, and a thought kept repeating in her mind. 'Hang in there. Just a little more. I must endure this. No one will be able to threaten family if I have even a tenth of my former strength...'

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Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian was unaware that Ke'er's consciousness was at risk of being destroyed and she could die. Otherwise, he would have stopped her at all costs.

Chen Yi Ru who had learned about what happened from Duan Ling Tian said, "Master, as far as I know, people from the dragon clan usually honor their words. There's no reason why they would break the agreement between the clan and Senior Feng Qing Yang even if they're displeased that you killed Li Bing! However, your guess is most likely correct. The mysterious young man is probably from the dragon clan."

“Then... What do you think we should do?” Duan Ling Tian asked.

“Return to the Fire Worship Sect and stop him! Chase him back to the dragon clan!” Chen Yi Ru sneered. “If words get out that someone from the dragon clan is trying to kill you because of Li Bing, it would tarnish the dragon clan’s reputation. That person from the dragon clan wouldn’t dare to seek revenge for Li Bing if he isn’t sure word of it wouldn’t get out.”

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“So this means they won’t kill me for no reason even if they’re stronger than me?” Duan Ling Tian’s eyes were glinting coldly at this moment. He had come to consult with Chen Yi Ru about this matter since he was not familiar with the dragon clan.

The person who had gone to the Fire Worship Sect had a servant who was a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial at least. It was possible that the mysterious young man was a Six or Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial! If Duan Ling Tian unleashed all his strength and techniques, he might be able to take on a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. However, this would not be the case if that person was a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

Although Duan Ling Tian was worried about Gan Ru Yan, he was not so reckless as to charge in uninformed.

Chen Yi Ru seemed confident as he said, “If they can’t guarantee that word will not spread after they kill you, they won’t take the risk and harm you!”

“If that’s the case, let’s return to the Fire Worship Sect! I’d like to see where this man got his courage from to disregard the agreement between the dragon clan and Senior Feng Qing Yang,” Duan Ling Tian said in a low voice.

Duan Ling Tian did not waste any time and left the Seven Absolutes Sect’s temporary estate without informing anyone. After listening to Chen Yi Ru’s words, he was certain he was not in any danger. Moreover, he did not think it would take long before he returned. Therefore, he did not think there was a need to make a fuss about this matter.

Although the northern region was quite a distance away from the Fire Worship Sect that was located in the western region, with Duan Ling Tian and Chen Yi Ru’s speed, it only took them half a day to arrive in the western region.

Two rapidly-moving figures shot across the sky above the Fire Worship Sect’s estate. They were moving so fast that even the strongest powerhouse in the Fire Worship Sect, Zi Feng, would not have been able to see them clearly. These two figures were, naturally, Duan Ling Tian and his follower, Chen Yi Ru, who was following closely behind him.

Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian flew into the Fire Worship Sect’s Saint Land and rose up into the sky until he arrived in front of a floating island that was located at the highest point.

Whoosh!

After a short moment, Chen Yi Ru arrived as well and stood behind Duan Ling Tian respectfully.

“People from the dragon clan! I, Duan Ling Tian, am here!” Duan Ling Tian said at this moment. His voice rang out through the Fire Worship Sect’s estate.

The elders and disciples from the Fire Worship Sect were, naturally, shocked and baffled when they heard Duan Ling Tian’s words.

“Duan Ling Tian!”

“It’s Duan Ling Tian! H-he is back again?”

“Didn’t he leave a month ago? Why did he return again so quickly?”

“He just mentioned something about the dragon clan... What dragon clan? Did someone from the dragon clan come to the Fire Worship Sect?”

On the other hand, the high-ranking officials from the Fire Worship Sect who had witnessed their sect leader’s follower who was at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage being killed with just a palm strike were pleasantly surprised, albeit a little confused.

“Dragon clan? Did Duan Ling Tian say those two are from the dragon clan?”

“I don’t remember them saying anything about where they’re from when they arrived. They only said they’re here for Duan Ling Tian. Who knew they would be from the dragon clan?”

“The dragon clan has Bodiless Celestials! Even a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial is only a servant in the clan!”

“That young man must have a high status in the dragon clan. Moreover, it’s very likely that he’s much stronger than his servant!”

Most of the high-ranking officials were convinced that the young man was extremely strong. After all, just his servant alone was a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial at least!

Duan Ling Tian was a good example of this. Duan Ling Tian was extremely strong. He was the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny and the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect. He was so strong that he could even kill Li Bing, a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, even though he was only an Eminent Celestial. His servant, Chen Yi Ru, was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

A Golden Flame Elder spoke up at this moment and made a guess. “Come to think of it, I remember the old ancestor said something about being from the dragon clan when he saw Guardian Ling Tian’s terrifying strength! Did these people from the dragon clan come to avenge him?”

When the others heard his words, they were split into two sides based on their opinions.

“Tsk! The old ancestor was from our Fire Worship Sect, how could he join the dragon clan? If what you say is true, doesn’t it mean that the old ancestor deserted the sect to join the dragon clan? How outrageous!”

“It’s possible though. After all, many of us heard the old ancestor saying he was with the dragon clan. With the powerhouses from the dragon clan here to avenge him, it seems like it’s not outrageous to think he had deserted the Fire Worship Sect to join the dragon clan.”

None of them would have been able to imagine that their old ancestor did not technically desert the Fire Worship Sect even though he joined the dragon clan. After all, he was forced to join the dragon clan. Moreover, the Fire Worship Sect would not have risen to become one of the three great sects if it was not for the dragon and phoenix clans’ help.

“He’s dead anyway. There’s no point in arguing about it now. Let’s just wait and see if Duan Ling Tian’s able to deal with those two from the dragon clan!” Someone said.

When the high-ranking officials heard this, they no longer harped on the matter. Instead, all of them began to make their way to where Duan Ling Tian was.

“Duan Ling Tian is really here! Even his follower, Chen Yi Ru, is here.”

Some of the high-ranking officials’ eyes brightened when they saw Duan Ling Tian. However, there were also some who looked at Duan Ling Tian gloomily since he had killed the old ancestor of their Fire Worship Sect!

Based on the way they looked at Duan Ling Tian, it was not difficult to figure out who believed Li Bing had deserted the sect to join the dragon clan and who did not believe it.

It did not take long before Gan Ru Yan, the Sect Leader of Fire Worship Sect, appeared as well. She did not inform Duan Ling Tian about this matter so she was, naturally, confused by his sudden appearance. “Why are you here?!”

“Lord Sect Leader!” All the high-ranking officials in the Fire Worship Sect bowed and greeted Gan Ru Yan when she arrived. However, she did not pay them any attention. Her attention was solely focused on Duan Ling Tian as she looked at him with emotions swirling in her eyes.

Before Duan Ling Tian could respond, a voice rang out from behind Gan Ru Yan. “I’m the one who informed Guardian Ling Tian about this matter.”

Gan Ru Yan whirled around to look at the person who had spoken. “M-master, it’s... you? Why would you do that?” She could barely hold back her anger when she found out this was her master’s doing. If it was someone else, she would have lost her temper.

“I can’t just stay idle and watch you die,” Qing Huo replied.

“You can’t watch me die?” Gan Ru Yan smiled bitterly. “Master... Do you think I’ll be able to live with myself if he dies because of me?”

Qing Huo trembled when he heard Gan Ru Yan’s words. Then, he sighed. “My girl... I’m wrong this time around.” He did not expect his disciple to be so unyielding!

Gan Ru Yan was about to persuade Duan Ling Tian to leave when a voice rang out in the distance.

“So you’re Duan Ling Tian?!” The person who had spoken appeared with a middle-aged man in tow.

As soon as he appeared, everyone turned their attention to him. It seemed as though he had stolen the limelight from Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian looked at the handsome young man who was flying toward him. He did not respond to the young man’s question. Instead, he asked, “So you’re Li Bing’s master?”

When the high-ranking officials from the Fire Worship Sect heard this. Those who did not believe Li Bing had joined the dragon clan were in shock.

“Li Bing’s master?”

They found this difficult to accept!

When Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, the middle-aged man standing behind the young man said imperiously, “Impertinent! Duan Ling Tian, Lord Di Chen asked you a question! Not only did you ignore his question, but you even talked back at him! Do you think you’re above everyone else just because you’re the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect? How dare you disregard Lord Di Chen!”

“Di Chen?!” Many high-ranking officials’ eyes widened in horror when they heard that middle-aged man’s words. Based on their knowledge, in the entire Dao Martial Saint Land, only imperial golden dragons in the dragon clan had the surname Di. Was this handsome young man one of the imperial golden dragons?

“You’re the one who’s being impertinent!” Chen Yi Ru who was standing behind Duan Ling Tian sneered and said, “You’re just a mere Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, and yet, you dare to scream and shout at my master?”