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Chapter 2391 Beyond Heaven Secret Zone

Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect, had been famous for a long time in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. Whether it was the common folks or the Bodiless Celestials, all of them had been talking about him. For this reason, the Bodiless Celestials who had come out could easily recognize him after they saw Chen Yi Ru.

"Why is Duan Ling Tian here?"

"Based on his attitude, it seems like he came with Chen Yi Ru to see Ding Yi Jian."

"The Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy in the surroundings almost disappeared as soon as he arrived... Does it have something to do with him?"

"I don't know..."

The Bodiless Celestials who stood in the distance began a lively discussion about Duan Ling Tian. However, they did not have the courage to approach him. After all, the strongest among them was only a few Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. He was someone who managed to make a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the dragon clan kowtow and kneel. How would they dare to act recklessly in front of him?

When the small group of Bodiless Celestials examined themselves, they, naturally, found that they lacked the capability to defeat Duan Ling Tian. They were weaker than Di Chen, where would they find the courage to misbehave before Duan Ling Tian?

Under everyone's watchful eyes, Duan Ling Tian scoffed loudly. A surge of killing intent rolled off his body. It felt as though he had transformed into the Grim Reaper at this moment. The energy that rolled off his body pressured the Bodiless Celestials present on the scene.

Bang!

Duan Ling Tian lifted his leg and stomped on the ground. The void cracked immediately. Numerous cracks began to appear and spread like a spiderweb.

Fear tightened its clutch on Ding Yi Jian's heart when he saw this. A hint of shock mix with admiration could be seen on his face. At this moment, there was only one thought left in his mind; he fervently hoped that Duan Ling Tian would forgive him for us past conflict with Chen Yi Ru. After all, nobody was really hurt in the conflict. In his opinion, this was just a small conflict. There was no reason for Duan Ling Tian to kill him.

Unfortunately, Ding Yi Jian was unaware that Duan Ling Tian did not come looking for him to seek revenge for Chen Yi Ru. Duan Ling Tian was here to seek revenge for the hundreds of women whom he had ruthlessly killed in the past. Perhaps, he had forgotten the woman called Qiu Mu Qing whom he had mutilated and killed, but the reason Duan Ling Tian had come was precisely for this particular woman.

"You beast!" Duan Ling Tian hissed. His Celestial Origin Energy that was laced with Saint Origin surged out of his body as he stared at Ding Yi Jian coldly.

Ding Yi Jian felt chills running up his spine when he saw this. It felt as though he had fallen into a lake of ice. Although it was snowing here, the cold did not affect Ding Yi Jian. However, he felt chills running up his spine when he saw Duan Ling Tian looking at him with killing intent. It felt as though he had fallen into a lake of ice and was frozen.

Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian lifted his hand and sword qi shot out of his hand. The sound of a sword cry rang in the air briefly.

The sword qi shot toward Ding Yi Jian at such a high speed that he did not even have any time to react. He cried out in horror, "No!" After he cried out, it did not take long before a soft sound sounded in the air. The sword qi had pierced his glabella, and his soul was instantly destroyed.

Bodiless Celestials' bodies were different from humans, their glabellas were connected to their souls. If their glabellas were pierced, their souls would instantly be destroyed.

Despite being a Bodiless Celestial whose body was different from ordinary human beings, the middle of his brows was connected to his soul.

The destructive force from Duan Ling Tian's sword qi destroyed Ding Yi Jian's soul in just a blink of an eye, leaving nothing behind. Ding Yi Jian had no chance of surviving at all!

After Ding Yi Jian's soul was destroyed, his corpse turned to dust immediately. There was no trace left of his existence in both heaven and earth.

The entire place fell silent.

The few Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials had managed to catch a glimpse of Duan Ling Tian's sword qi earlier. The sword qi felt divine, as though it could destroy everything in this world. Chill ran up their spines when they thought about what had happened. Even if they did not die, they would be grievously injured if they had to face Duan Ling Tian's sword qi. They were not even certain if they would be able to defend against it.

"That's the Sword Wielding Art, the third stage of the Sovereign Heart Sword, that Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang created, right?"

"Rumor has it that Duan Ling Tian used the Body Sword Fusion, the fourth stage of the Sovereign Heart Sword, to make Di Chen kneel and kowtow to him!"

"The strength he displayed at that time was comparable to a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!"

"That's more than enough to defeat even the strongest Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!"

Let alone the fourth stage of the Sovereign Heart Sword, the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials knew they were no match for Duan Ling Tian even when he was using the third stage of the Sovereign Heart Sword.

After killing Ding Yi Jian, Duan Ling Tian's killing intent dissipated immediately, and he reined in the energy that surged out of his body.

'Rest in peace...' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself as he looked in the southwest direction. That place was where Qiu Mu Qing had passed away.

Meanwhile, the Bodiless Celestials on the scene regained their senses. They realized there was more than meets the eyes. Initially, they had thought Duan Ling Tian had come to avenge Chen Yi Ru. However, when they recalled Duan Ling Tian had called Ding Yi Jian a beast before killing him, they realized something was amiss.

"It seems like this matter is not as simple as it seems!"

"Could it be that ... "

At that same time, Duan Ling Tian said to Chen Yi Ru, "Let's go!" He did not look back as he disappeared from everyone's sight. They came and left like a gust of wind, leaving no trace behind.

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Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian did not return to the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate immediately. Instead, they made their way east. Only after he was certain nobody was tailing them did he return to the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate. He had, naturally, taken a detour to ensure the location of their temporary estate was not exposed. It was even more necessary now to keep the location of the sect secret since he and the Seven Absolutes Sect had become the dragon clan's targets. Apart from that, he was about to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone. He did not want any unforeseen circumstances to pop up before he entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

As they made their way back to the Seven Absolutes Sect, Duan Ling Tian's mind was filled with thoughts about the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

'According to junior uncle, the other people who possess the key to the Sword Saint Secret Zone had already used their keys. Currently, junior uncle's keys are the only one that can open the Sword Saint Secret Zone! It's too bad that junior uncle has no idea who the people who possess the keys are. I don't know if they're from the dragon clan, the phoenix clan or the Devil Clan.'

Duan Ling Tian did not know that the Sword Saint Secret Zone was not created by Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. In fact, it was actually a Beyond Heaven Secret Zone that Feng Qing Yang had encountered years back. After he entered the zone, he had a fortuitous encounter. It was what enabled him to kill Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials and possess strength comparable to a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

A long time had passed since then. Although the Old Prophet and his companions knew about the Sword Saint Secret Zone that had been passed down for generations, they were unaware that Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang did not create the Sword Saint Secret Zone. They were clueless that Feng Qing Yang had managed to figure out the way to open the secret zone. He only left his successor with the way to open the secret zone.

Duan Ling Tian was, naturally, unaware of all this. He did not know the key represented the entrance and exit point, and that a key existed in every mundane realm. In other words, there was only one key in every mundane realm, including this one! Most importantly, he was unaware that a key also existed on his home planet, earth, which was also a mundane realm. When the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone was opened, a point of entrance and exit would appear in the mundane realms with keys as well.

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The name, Sword Saint Secret Zone, was not given by Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. In fact, the disciples of the Seven Absolutes Sect had come up with the name later on.

The Sword Saint Secret Zone, or the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, had nothing to do with Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang apart from the fact that he had discovered and entered it. He had no ability to control what happened inside nor could he help Duan Ling Tian once he entered the secret zone. He had only provided the later generation with the key to enter the secret zone.

Duan Ling Tian and generations of members of the Seven Absolutes Sect were under the impression that Feng Qing Yang had created the Sword Saint Secret Zone. For this reason, all of them thought Feng Qing Yang had left his legacies and many precious items in there.

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Back at the north of the northern region where Duan Ling Tian and Chen Yi Ru had left.

Whoosh!

The Bodiless Celestials who had gathered earlier had yet to return to their homes when wind began to howl in the air. Shortly after, a middle-aged man who was emitting an oppressive air appeared out of thin air.

A Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial instantly stepped out when the middle-aged man appeared. He bowed deferentially toward the middle-aged man. "Lord Di Huan!"

"Lord Di Huan?" The remaining Bodiless Celestials quickly shifted their attention to the middle-aged man when they heard the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial's words.

The Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial who had greeted Di Huan turned around and explained to the others, "This is... Lord Di Huan, the Supreme Elder of the dragon clan!"

The other Bodiless Celestials, naturally, broke into a commotion when they heard the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial's words. They might not have seen Di Huan before, nevertheless, his name struck them like a thunderbolt. They had heard many things about Di Huan so they knew he was the Supreme Elder of the dragon clan and also a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. They also knew that Di Chen, the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the dragon clan, whom Duan Ling Tian forced to kneel and kowtow was Di Huan's son.

"Greetings, Lord Di Huan, it's an honor to meet you!" All the Bodiless Celestials greeted Di Huan respectfully as they bowed to him after they learned of his identity. They were not wary about the fact that he was a Supreme Elder of the dragon clan but because he was a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial! Di Huan did not deign to reply to the Bodiless Celestials who had greeted him. He turned to the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial who had greeted him first and asked in an urgent tone, "I thought you said Duan Ling Tian is here? Where's he?"

It was not difficult to guess why Di Huan had come as soon as he spoke. It was obvious that the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial had informed him of Duan Ling Tian's presence earlier.

Di Huan did not wait for the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial to reply as he extended his Divine Consciousness to check the area to see if Duan Ling Tian was around. However, he could not sense Duan Ling Tian at all. He felt as though he had been cheated.

The Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial replied respectfully, "Lord Di Huan, Duan Ling Tian went in the east direction... However, since I'm not strong, I didn't tail him because I was afraid he would notice me." After a while, as though he was afraid Di Huan would misunderstand him, he quickly added, "Duan Ling Tian really came here and headed east after he left. Everyone present can testify to that! I won't dare to lie to you, Lord Di Huan."

"Very well! You'll be handsomely rewarded if I manage to catch him!" Di Huan's eyes brightened when he thought about capturing Duan Ling Tian. He no longer bothered with the Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial and vanished into thin air under everyone's watchful gaze.

"That's insanely fast!"

"Is this the speed of a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?"

A shocked expression appeared on the Bodiless Celestials' faces when they saw Di Huan vanishing before their eyes. They might be Bodiless Celestials, but they had never met a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial or anyone stronger. After all, those who were Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials or stronger were few and far between. For this reason, most Bodiless Celestials treated Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials and those who were stronger reverentially as though those people were God himself.

It was clear that Duan Ling Tian had made a wise choice when he decided to head north to mislead others before returning to the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate. Otherwise, Di Huan, the Supreme Elder of the dragon clan, would have caught up to him.

Currently, Duan Ling Tian's strength was only comparable to a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial when he unleashed all his strength. He was no match for a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial like Di Huan. There was no doubt that he would turn into a slab of meat on the chopping board if he chose to face Di Huan now.

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In the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate that was located on a snow-capped mountain.

Upon Duan Ling Tian's return, he quickly went to look for the Old Prophet. A sense of urgency filled him. He wanted to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone as quickly as he could. "Junior Uncle Prophet, I've already dealt with my personal matter. If the others are ready, we can enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone now." Naturally, the other people that Duan Ling Tian mentioned were this generation's successors of the Seven Absolutes in the Seven Absolutes Sect. Unfortunately, the successor of the Kratos Progeny and the Dark Shadow Progeny, the Third and Fourth Absolutes respectively, had died. It was very likely that the dragon clan was behind their deaths. Currently, there were only six successors left in the Seven Absolutes Sect; these people were Duan Ling Tian, Mu Yi Yi, Feng Tian Wu, Han Xue Nai, Nangong Chen, and Nangong Yi.

"Okay!" The Old Prophet agreed immediately since he could sense Duan Ling Tian's eagerness to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone. After that, he went to round up the other successors of the Absolutes.

After roughly an hour, Duan Ling Tian received a message from the Old Prophet. "Depart immediately so we can look for a hidden location to open the Sword Saint Secret Zone!"

Soon after, a group of people left the snow-capped mountain and headed toward the northeast direction. Apart from the current successors of the Absolutes and the Old Prophet, Ke'er, Qing Huo, and Gan Ru Yan tagged along as well. However, only the successors of the Absolutes were allowed to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

During their journey, Gan Ru Yan asked the Old Prophet eagerly, "Senior Prophet. Can I enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone?"

"Our Sect Leader holds the authority to decide something like that," the Old Prophet said as he glanced at Duan Ling Tian.

Gan Ru Yan instantly shifted her eyes to Duan Ling Tian.

"No!" Before Gan Ru Yan could speak, she was rejected immediately. "According to the record that has been passed down for generations, we're warned against letting cultivators below the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage enter the secret zone. Anyone whose cultivation base is below the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage will definitely die once he or she enters the Sword Saint Secret Zone that Senior Feng Qing Yang left behind!"

Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!

It was clearly impossible for Gan Ru Yan to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone. Although her Innate Spiritual Root had been improved and her cultivation speed had increased, she had only broken through to the Sixth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. It would take a long time before she could even break through to the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. The two stages might be just one stage apart, but the gap in strength was extremely wide.

Gan Ru Yan fell silent when she heard Duan Ling Tian's words. There was nothing she could say to refute his words after all. Although she looked disappointed, she no longer tried to speak. After listening to the warning that had been passed down for generations, she did not dare to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone even if Duan Ling Tian gave her permission to enter. She instantly dismissed the thought about entering the Sword Saint Secret Zone when she found out those below the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage would not be able to survive the Sword Saint Secret Zone. How could a fortuitous encounter be more important than her life? Staying alive was the most important thing! At this time, it was Chen Yi Ru's turn to ask eagerly, "Master, can I enter the secret zone?"

"Junior Uncle Prophet told me earlier that there's an age restriction on the Sword Saint Secret Zone. Only those who are below 100 years old are allowed to enter," Duan Ling Tian said, "However, you can try and see if you can enter. If you're really able to enter, who knows if you might have a fortuitous encounter?"

Duan Ling Tian was not a selfish or stingy person. Although Chen Yi Ru had not been with him for long, Chen Yi Ru had sworn on the lightning penalty oath to be loyal to him after all. He had no reason to stop Chen Yi Ru if he was able to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

Chen Yi Ru's eyes were bright as he thanked Duan Ling Tian, "Thank you, master!" He was delighted that he had gotten his master's permission to enter the secret zone. Now, he only hoped he would be able to enter the secret zone. However, he knew there was nothing he could if he was denied entry. After all, it was not like he could change his age as he pleased.

"This is the place." After traveling northeast for a while, Duan Ling Tian finally chose the valley between ice mountains in a place that seemed extremely desolated. Based on the condition of ice in the valley, it seemed like the ice was formed a long time ago, possibly even 1,000 or 10,000 years ago. A thick and white fog shrouded the valley that made it impossible for people to detect its presence unless they used their Divine Consciousness.

"This is a pretty good spot," the Old Prophet said after he took a look at the surroundings.

The others, naturally, did not have much of an opinion.

Duan Ling Tian and his companions were hidden by the dense fog as they made their way to the valley.

When they finally stopped moving, the Old Prophet lifted his hand and brought out a black box before passing it to Duan Ling Tian. He said, "This box holds the key that has been passed down for generations in the Seven Absolutes Sect. This key will open the Sword Saint Secret Zone! This box has been sealed with a Formation that was said to be created by Ancestor Feng Qing Yang! Rumor has it that only the successors of the Fog Rain Progeny, the First Absolutes of the Seven Absolutes, are able to open the box. As for how to open it, I'm not too sure either."

After a moment, the Old Prophet said to Duan Ling Tian, "Why don't you try opening it?"

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"This box..." Duan Ling Tian discovered the box was quite heavy after the Old Prophet had passed it over to him. He did not know what the box was made from.

Even Chen Yi Ru who was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial could not open it. "Master, there's nothing I can do..." He said helplessly before passing the box back to Duan Ling Tian.

Void cracks could be seen slowly closing up around Chen Yi Ru when he passed the box back to Duan Ling Tian. This was from his attacks when he attempted to open the box earlier.

"Elementary Devouring Technique!" Duan Ling Tian cast his assist-type Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Technique as soon as the box was passed back to him. He absorbed all the Heaven and Earth

Spirit Energy in his surroundings to raise his strength so he could cast the Sword Wielding Art, the third stage of the Sovereign Heart Sword, to open the box.

Whoosh!

The wind howled briefly before a destructive and oppressive sword qi shot out of Duan Ling Tian's palm toward the sealed box. Void cracks instantly appeared in the sword qi's wake. The void cracks were long and wide, it seemed like it would take an hour or so just to close up.

Duan Ling Tian did not think his attack that was comparable to the strength of a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial would be able to open the box since Chen Yi Ru failed to open the box even after he had unleashed all his strength. However, he was pleasantly surprised to find that the white sword qi turned into liquid when it landed on the box. It did not take long before the box snapped open.

Click!

When Duan Ling Tian saw this, he thought to himself, 'It seems like the Formation on the box responded to the Sovereign Heart Sword that Senior Feng Qing Yang created!'

"Master... Your sword technique earlier is only comparable to that of a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial's attack, right? Why did the box open so easily?" Chen Yi Ru asked with a baffled expression on his face.

Chen Yi Ru was not the only one, everyone had a puzzled expression on their faces as well. They did not know what had happened. Although the attack that Duan Ling Tian had used was more powerful than Chen Yi Ru's attack, it was not that much stronger. However, the results were poles apart!

"This is due to the Supreme Sword Dao Mental Cultivation Method Sovereign Heart Sword that Senior Feng Qing Yang left behind. I used that technique to open the box," Duan Ling Tian explained to everyone as his eyes were fixed on the open box.

A brass ball lay quietly inside of the box. A complex pattern that looked like words was engraved on the ball. Duan Ling Tian could not ascertain if they were just patterns or words.

"So this is the key to open the Sword Saint Secret Zone?" Duan Ling Tian held the brass ball in his hand as he studied it. He did not find anything special about the engravings.

Everyone was looking at the brass ball as well at this moment.

Soon after, the Old Prophet said, "Try to infuse your Celestial Origin Energy into the ball..."

When Duan Ling Tian heard this, he did not waste any time and quickly infused his Celestial Origin Energy into the brass ball. It did not take long before he discovered that the brass ball was like a starving infant who was greedily absorbing his Celestial Origin Energy as though it was milk. It only stopped when it depleted more than half of his Celestial Origin Energy.

"Hmm?" At this moment, Duan Ling Tian felt a surge of energy from the brass ball that pushed his hand away. After that, the ball levitated in the air and the patterns on the brass ball were illuminated. The light from the patterns grew brighter and brighter as time passed. It looked extremely dazzling! "What's this?" Everyone's attention was focused on the brass ball at this moment.

Boom!

The sound of an explosion rang in the air and everyone present saw their vision turning white. It seemed as though the light of an explosion had blinded them. At the same time, a surge of formidable but gentle energy began to push them away from each other.

When everyone regained their footing and sight, they quickly turned to look at the brass ball just to discover a hole in the void. There were vortexes spinning around the hole as though the vortexes were keeping the hole open. The hole did not show any signs of closing at all.

'Is this the point of entrance and exit for the Sword Saint Secret Zone?' Everyone shared the same thought at this moment when they looked at the hole that led to who-knows-where.

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Meanwhile, in a few mundane realms, mysterious energies that surrounded the holes in each of the mundane realms had disappeared, granting one entry to the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone.

"What..."

"Is the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone open?"

"Heavens! It's been 30,000 years since it last opened. It's finally open again!"

The people that discovered the holes had opened were shocked when they saw this.

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Earth, where Duan Ling Tian was from, was also one of the mundane realms that held the key to the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. Earth was in a huge mundane realm that encompassed a vast universe with many planets and galaxies. Earth was as tiny as a speck of dust in this mundane realm. Despite its size, earth when it was known as Planet Yan Huang was one of the few rare planets that allowed its inhabitants to cultivate. In other words, this meant that the inhabitants could absorb the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy to strengthen themselves.

At that time, Planet Yan Huang produced many legendary cultivators whom Duan Ling Tian thought were from myths and ancient legends. Sun Wukong, Zhu Ba Jie, and Ne Zha were a few of those said cultivators. However, after more and more cultivators appeared, it did not take long before the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy on the planet was depleted. For this reason, many cultivators from Planet Yan Huang also began to move away.

Afterward, Planet Yan Huang that had been depleted of Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy became known as earth. The number of cultivators grew lesser and people became weaker that one did not need much strength to rule earth.

On the other hand, the cultivators that moved away from Planet Yan Huang moved to some planets that were rich with Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy and laid down their roots there.

The Celestial Masters Sect was an ancient sect that moved away from Planet Yan Huang previously. The ancestor of the Celestial Masters Sect was Celestial Master Zhang from the ancient myths and legends!

Currently, the Celestial Masters Sect had gained control over a galaxy. The headquarters of the Celestial Masters Sect was located on a planet that was a few times bigger than earth.

"The Beyond Heaven Secret Zone is open!"

The entire Celestial Masters Sect had broken out in an uproar when they heard news of this!

"The Beyond Heaven Secret Zone's key from another mundane realm has finally been opened! It's been close to 20,000 years since the key has been used!"

"Only when the key is used will the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone in the mundane realms open again!"

"I hope the powerhouses in the Celestial Masters Sect will have fortuitous encounters when they enter the secret zone and grow significantly stronger!"

"What a pity the Celestial Masters Sect isn't the only who's privy to the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. We'll have to face a lot of competitors once we enter the secret zone. The competitors are from our mundane realm and other mundane realms as well!"

Regardless, the people from the Celestial Masters Sect were boiling with excitement when they learned that the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone had opened again.

Currently, in the mundane realm where earth was located, there were many sects apart from the Celestial Masters Sect. Some were stronger and some were weaker. However, they had one thing in common at this moment. All of them were rushing to enter the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone! All of them knew where the point of entrance and exit of the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone was located but it was sealed before this. How could they not rush there now that it was open?

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There were a total of five keys to the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone that were placed in five mundane realms. If one had the key, one would be able to open the entrance to the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. Otherwise, the entrance would be barred by a mysterious energy. However, once the final key was used, the point of entrance and exit in all the mundane realms would open as well! Now that the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone had opened in all the mundane realms, this meant that Duan Ling Tian's key was the final key.

Duan Ling Tian was, naturally, unaware of all this.

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In the northern region. In a valley surrounded by ice mountains and white fog.

"The Beyond Heaven Secret Zone is finally open! Our Seven Absolutes Sect will regain our former glory!" The Old Prophet looked emotional as he stared at the hole in front of him. As someone from the previous generation of successors of the Seven Absolutes Sect and also the person with the highest seniority in the sect, he was, naturally, moved when he thought about the Seven Absolutes Sect regaining its former glory similar to when Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang was around. When he looked at the entrance to the Sword Saint Secret Zone and the successors of the Absolutes who were about to enter the secret zone, it was as though he could already see the sect regaining its former reputation.

Similar to everyone present, the Old Prophet was unaware that the Sword Saint Secret Zone was the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone! How could they know that everything in the zone was not left behind by Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang? Most importantly, they did not know that the people from the Seven Absolutes Sect were not the only ones who would be entering the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. Many powerhouses from the other four mundane realms would be going into the secret zone as well. In fact, there were thousands upon thousands of people who were rushing to enter the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone in one of the mundane realms at this moment. There was no lack of powerful Bodiless Celestials among these people.

"San Dao, we should arrive at the Sword Saint Secret Zone after entering the hole. Junior Uncle Prophet has said that those over the age of 100 won't be able to enter the secret zone. Why don't you give it a try and see if it's true," Duan Ling Tian said to Chen Yi Ru.

"Yes, master," Chen Yi Ru replied with a nod. He did not waste any time and attempted to leap into the hole immediately. As soon as he approached the hole, he could clearly sense an oppressive energy that came from the vortexes that prevented the hole from closing. That energy made him feel as though he would be turned into ash and disappear from the world immediately if he had come in contact with it. However, he discovered that the energy did not seem to repel him. For this reason, his courage grew and he hastened his speed as he charged headlong into the hole. In just a blink of an eye, his hand had already touched the hole.

As Chen Yi Ru's body was further drawn into the hole, leaving only his upper body visible at the moment, he quickly said to Duan Ling Tian. "Master, I think that I should be able to enter the secret zone! The force is winding around my arm and pulling me in at an increasing speed."

"You should go in then." Duan Ling Tian nodded. He felt sincerely happy for Chen Yi Ru. After all, a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial like Chen Yi Ru should be able to benefit greatly after entering the secret zone that was left behind by Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang.

"Master, I'll wait for you on the other side." Chen Yi Ru only managed to say these words before he was completely pulled in.

Everyone present on the scene only managed to recover from their shock after Chen Yi Ru had entered the hole.

"I thought those over the age of 100 can't enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone? Duan Ling Tian's follower is a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, right? He's an old monster who has lived for 4,000 years. Does this mean anyone can just enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone?" Nangong Yi exclaimed in shock.

'What... What's going on?' The Old Prophet was baffled. Based on the records that were passed down in the Seven Absolutes Sect, it was said that those who were older than 100 years old would not be able to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone. Moreover, these words came directly from Sword Saint Qing Feng Yang. 'Is it possible that Bodiless Celestials are exempted from this rule?'

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian speculated out loud, "The most direct manner to examine a person's age is by examining the body first. Since Bodiless Celestials' bodies are different from normal humans, it could be the reason why they're exempted from the rules."

The truth was Duan Ling Tian had guessed correctly. The Sword Saint Secret Zone, or the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, had an age restriction for those above 100 years old. However, this did not apply to Bodiless Celestials. Based on this, one could see that those who were able to enter the secret zone were either geniuses or powerful Bodiless Celestials. Those who had a cultivation base lower than the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage would definitely die if they entered the secret zone.

"Duan Ling Tian, my brother and I are going to enter the secret zone now. You should hurry as well," Nangong Yi said before he entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone with his twin brother, Nangong Chen. It did not take long before both of them vanished into thin air.

Duan Ling Tian turned to the Old Prophet and asked, "Junior Uncle Prophet, how long will the point of entrance and exit for the Sword Saint Secret Zone stay open?"

"It's said that it'll stay open for ten years," the Old Prophet said. This information also came from Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang.

"Ten years..." Duan Ling Tian glanced at Gan Ru Yan as soon as he heard the Old Prophet's words. Sure enough, her eyes had brightened immediately. He said to her solemnly, "With your current innate talent, I think you'll be able to break through to the Seven Form of the Saint Celestial Stage in one or two years. At that time, you can enter the secret zone if you want to. Although it's said that even those at the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage can also enter, there's a high chance you might not survive in there."

"Aren't the Nangong Twins at the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage? If they can enter, there's no reason for me not to enter as well. I'm definitely going to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone when I break through to the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!" Gan Ru Yan said indignantly.

"Miss Ru Yan," the Old Prophet said gently, "The sect leader is only reminding you out of kindness. The Nangong twins are the successors of the Didymus Progeny. They bear the important responsibility of reviving Seven Absolutes Sect. Even if the path ahead of them is treacherous and filled with danger, they would still have to charge ahead. This is their responsibility and mission!" His expression turned solemn when he reached the end of his sentence. After a while, he continued to say, "You're different. You have nothing to do with the Seven Absolutes Sect. It's perilous inside the Sword Saint Secret Zone. It's best if you don't enter even after you've broken through to the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage."

"Who says I have nothing to do with the Seven Absolutes Sect?" Gan Ru Yan glanced at Ke'er and said, "The Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect is my brother-in-law. As his sister-in-law, I'm duty bound to help with the revival of the sect! I'll definitely enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone after I break through to the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!"

Ever since Gan Ru Yan met the female members of the Seven Absolutes Sect like Feng Tian Wu, Han Xue Nai, and Mu Yi Yi, she had lost the superior air she had when she was in the Fire Worship Sect. She was a

naturally competitive person. Since the opportunity to raise her strength had presented itself to her, how could she let it go?

This was the Sword Saint Secret Zone that was left behind by Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang! The man was capable of killing Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial and possessed strength comparable to Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial even though he was just an Eminent Celestial at that time. So far, he was the only one capable of such a feat in the history of the Dao Martial Saint Land. How could Gan Ru Yan bear to let go of entering the secret zone that was left behind by such an impressive person?

Duan Ling Tian had known Gan Ru Yan for quite a while now. Although they did not spend much time together, he knew her quite well. For this reason, he knew it would be difficult to change her mind once she had made up her mind. He did not try to dissuade her and only said, "Do as you please. Just be careful."

At this moment, Qing Huo, Gan Ru Yan's master, spoke up, "I'll join Ru Yan at that time." Although his cultivation base was at the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, he had no thoughts of entering the Sword Saint Secret Zone. At his age, he understood how precious life was. However, the disciple he cherished like a daughter wanted to enter the secret zone so he could only risk his life to accompany her. If he did not accompany her, he would be filled with regrets for not following her for the rest of his life if something happened to her in there.

Chapter 2395 Ke'er Has Entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone As Well!

"Master, didn't you hear what he said earlier? If you're not a Bodiless Celestial and you're over 100 years old, you won't be able to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone." Although Gan Ru Yan was touched by her master's words, she still had to remind him that he could not enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone. Naturally, she did not doubt Duan Ling Tian's words or speculations.

"That's only Guardian Ling Tian's speculation. Since the Sword Saint didn't restrict Bodiless Celestials who are definitely older than 100 years old, why would he restrict cultivators who're older than 100 years old?" Qing Huo was used to addressing Duan Ling Tian as Guardian Ling Tian, and he did not drop this habit even until now. Based on his words, it's obvious that he did not think much of Duan Ling Tian's speculations.

When Duan Ling Tian saw Qing Huo was clearly doubting his words, he could not help but say, "Guardian Qing Huo, why don't you consider this? Although Senior Feng Qing Yang was strong enough to kill Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, he was still an Eminent Celestial. This means he had cast the Formation on the box when he was an Eminent Celestial as well. How could a Formation that was cast by an Eminent Celestial restrict a Bodiless Celestial from entering the secret zone?"

Qing Huo was rendered speechless by Duan Ling Tian's words. After a moment, his eyes gleamed resolutely as he said, "Although your words make sense, I'll still give it a try. Even if the Sword Saint Secret Zone really has an age restriction, I'm sure I'll be able to sense the repelling force before I even touch the hole."

Before Qing Huo finished speaking and before Duan Ling Tian could reply to him, he had already flown toward the hole in the void. As he flew close to the hole, he suddenly tried to stop his movements.

Boom!

The sound of an explosion rang in the air as the mysterious force that stabilized the black hole suddenly became agitated, looking as though it was boiling. In just a blink of an eye, a shockwave from the energy shot out and landed on Qing Huo's body, sending him flying.

Qing Huo who had been sent flying threw up a mouthful of blood, looking extremely miserable. It took him a while before he finally managed to steady his footing. Then, he lifted his head and looked at the black hole with a bitter smile on his face.

As soon as Gan Ru Yan saw this, she quickly rushed over to her master. She asked worriedly, "Master, are you okay?"

"I'm okay," Qing shook his head before he said with a forced smile on his face, "If only I listened to Guardian Ling Tian, I wouldn't have ended up like this..." His actions had proven that Duan Ling Tian's speculation was correct.

In truth, Duan Ling Tian had only made these speculations based on what he knew. It was just a coincidence that his conjecture aligned with Qing Huo's actions. There was another reason for the restriction on the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. In the future, after being in the Beyond Secret Zone for a while, he would learn the truth about the restrictions. At that time, he would feel embarrassed for blindly making conjectures in front of Qing Huo. He felt as though he had spouted nonsense to Qing Huo!

Currently, Duan Ling Tian was still under the impression that his speculation was correct. "It's just as I've expected!"

"Brother Ling Tian, you're really impressive!" Han Xue Nai praised.

"Sect leader is truly impressive," the Old Prophet chimed in as well.

As for Ke'er, Duan Si Ling, and Feng Tian Wu, they remained silent. However, their eyes were unusually bright when they looked at Duan Ling Tian. This was especially true for Duan Si Ling. A hint of admiration could be seen on her face as well when she looked at her father.

Although Duan Ling Tian was used to getting looks of admiration in the past, he still felt flattered when he saw everyone admiring gazes.

Even the Old Prophet's direct disciple, the current successor of the Prophet Progeny, the Second Absolute of the Seven Absolutes Sect, Mu Yi Yi, had a startled look in her eyes even though no admiration could be seen at the moment. Previously, she had thought the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect was only stronger than her due to sheer luck. She did not expect he would be able to accurately tell why Bodiless Celestials could enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone and why normal cultivators who were older than 100 years old could not.

As the saying went, 'The higher you climb, the harder you fall.' Currently, Duan Ling Tian was feeling pleased with himself, but he was unaware that he was going to fall very, very hard in the future.

After basking in everyone's admiration, Duan Ling Tian finally said to the Old Prophet, "Junior Uncle Prophet, I should leave now..." Out of everyone present, he was definitely the most eager to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

Currently, three people had already entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone ahead of him. This caused Duan Ling Tian to feel even more impatient to enter the secret zone.

"Go ahead." The Old Prophet nodded when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. At the same time, a hint of anticipation could be heard in his voice as he said, "I hope everything goes smoothly when you obtain Ancestor Feng Qing Yang's legacy. If you're successful, your strength will rise tremendously. Let alone possessing strength comparable to Ancestor Feng Qing Yang, it's possible for you to surpass him as well!"

The Old Prophet was confident that Duan Ling Tian's strength would surpass Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. After all, when Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang was an Eminent Celestial, his strength had only risen to the level of a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial when he cast the Heart Sword Amalgamation, the fifth stage of the Sovereign Heart Sword. On the other hand, Duan Ling Tian who was also an Eminent Celestial possessed strength comparable to a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial when he had only cast the fourth stage of the Sovereign Heart Sword. Based on this alone, it seemed like Duan Ling Tian was even more impressive than Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. For this reason, the Old Prophet was extremely certain Duan Ling Tian would be able to kill Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials after he obtained the second legacy that was left behind by Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang.

Unfortunately, the Old Prophet was unaware that the Sword Saint Secret Zone was actually the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone that had nothing to do with Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. Moreover, he was also unaware that the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone was extremely perilous. Duan Ling Tian would also need to face the group of powerhouses from the other mundane realms.

In the past, it was considered a miracle that Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang was able to walk out from the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone alive. In truth, at that time, he was not the only one who had entered the secret zone. Various powerhouses from the dragon and phoenix clans and Bodiless Celestials had entered the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone as well. Unfortunately, apart from Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang, none of them survived the secret zone.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian turned to look at Ke'er and said, "Ke'er, please take care of Si Ling in my absence."

"I will, Brother Tian. Please be careful!" Ke'er nodded.

Duan Ling Tian replied, "Okay..." However, in his rush to enter the secret zone, he seemed to miss the strange look in Ke'er's eyes that disappeared as soon as it appeared. It was as though she was struggling with a decision in her mind.

After Duan Ling Tian spoke to Ke'er, he turned to look at Duan Si Ling and said affectionately, "Si Ling, daddy is going away for some time. You must listen to your mommy when daddy is not around, okay?"

"Daddy, I've grown up! There's no need for you to treat me like a kid. I don't like it," Duan Si Ling said with a frown after she pouted. A hint of embarrassment could be seen on her face.

The Old Prophet and Qing Huo could not help but laugh when they heard Duan Si Ling's words. In fact, everyone, including Mu Yi Yi, had a smile on their faces when they heard this.

"In daddy's eyes, you'll always be a child even after you've grown up. It'll be the same even after a few decades have passed!" Duan Ling Tian said with a chuckle after he regained his senses. Then, he turned away and said, "Xue Nai, Tian Wu, junior sister Yi Yi, we should make a move now. We've no idea what awaits us inside. There's a possibility that we would be transported to different places once we enter. There's only one thing we must remember. Regardless of what happens, we must always be cautious!"

As soon as Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, he entered the black hole at lightning speed.

The Old Prophet, Qing Huo, and Gan Ru Yan knew the three women from the Seven Absolutes Sect would follow suit soon enough. However, before any of the three women entered the black hole, a sweet and soft voice rang in the air. "Sister, please take good care of Si Ling."

Everyone's eyes instantly shifted to the woman who looked identical to Gan Ru Yan as she stood next to Duan Si Ling.

Whoosh!

Before anyone regained their senses, the woman left like a gust of wind and disappeared before everyone's eyes.

Everyone quickly turned to look at the black hole. There were some ripples in the mysterious force, it was evident that someone had just entered the black hole!

"Ke'er..." Gan Yuan Ru was stunned speechless. She was not stunned that Ke'er had decided to enter the Sword Saint Secret Zone after Duan Ling Tian. She was stunned because Ke'er's speed was so fast that she could not catch Ke'er's movements at all. One should know that she would still be able to catch glimpses of movements of cultivators at the Eighth and Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage! What was happening?

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After Han Xue Nai recovered from the shock, she exclaimed, "How did Sister Ke'er move at such a swift speed? I... I couldn't catch her movements at all!"

The Old Prophet who had just regained his senses as well cried out, "What? Xue Nai, even you couldn't catch her movements?" He was concerned about the safety of the sect leader's wife when he saw her entering the Sword Saint Secret Zone. After all, the secret zone was fraught with danger. Although Ke'er's cultivation base was not too bad, he thought it would be no higher than the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. However, it seemed like he was wrong.

Han Xue Nai, the current successor of the Red Dust Progeny had already broken through to the Eighth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, but she still could not catch Ke'er's movements. What did this mean? One should know that even a cultivator at the Eighth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage would still be able to catch glimpses of movements of a cultivator at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage! The Old Prophet gasped before he thought to himself, 'D-don't tell me she has successfully become an Eminent Celestial?' This would explain why Han Xue Nai couldn't even catch a glimpse of Ke'er's movements.

Feng Tian Wu spoke up at this moment, "I couldn't see Sister Ke'er's movements as well..."

The Old Prophet was shocked again when he heard this. Duan Ling Tian was the strongest person in the Seven Absolutes Sect followed by his direct disciple, Mu Yi Yi, and Feng Tian Wu. Both women had already broken through to the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. However, Feng Tian Wu, the successor of the Blazing Phoenix Progeny, had just said she could not see Ke'er's movements at all!

"This is madness!" The Old Prophet was extremely shocked, but this was not the end of it. When he heard the words from his direct disciple, Mu Yi Yi, he was even more shocked. It took a long while before he regained his senses.

"She moved so quickly that I didn't catch her movements as well. In my opinion, her speed is comparable to a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial at the very least!" Mu Yi Yi was going to face the Celestial Ascension Tribulation soon, and there was no doubt that she was one of the stronger cultivators at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. However, not even she could catch Ke'er's movements!

The Old Prophet said with a bitter expression on his face, "The sect leader's wife... Who's she?"

"It seems like what Sect Leader Tang Xuan said in the past is true. The Saint Girl is truly the reincarnation of a goddess! Otherwise, how could she have possessed speed that's comparable to a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in such a short time?" Qing Huo said after he heard the Old Prophet's words.

"Ke'er..." Although Gan Ru Yan was shocked by her sister's current strength, she could not help but smile widely. She was sincerely happy about her sister's achievement. After all, she was aware that her sister felt inferior standing next to Duan Ling Tian. She had hated herself and blamed herself for being a burden to Duan Ling Tian. Although she did not know the details, her sister's strength was comparable to a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial now.

"Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? Wow! Mommy's amazing!" Duan Si Ling's eyes lit up when she heard Mu Yi Yi's words. She exclaimed excitedly, "From today onward, apart from daddy, mommy is my idol as well!"

"Sister Ke'er's the reincarnation of a goddess. How amazing..." Feng Tian Wu who had long heard the rumors about the Saint Girl felt sincerely happy for Ke'er's newfound strength.

Mu Yi Yi was the only one who had a complicated emotion swimming in the depths of her eyes. She had assumed that Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect, was the only one stronger than her. Who knew even Duan Ling Tian's wife was stronger than her? She took a deep breath before she said, "Master, I'll be entering now." As soon as she finished speaking, her figure vanished before everyone's eyes.

"Junior Uncle Prophet, I'll enter as well," Feng Tian Wu said soon after.

Before Han Xuen Nai entered the secret zone, she turned to the Old Prophet and said, "Junior Uncle Prophet, if I don't come out alive, please offer joss sticks on my behalf to my master on her death anniversary!"

"Silly girl, don't talk nonsense!" The Old Prophet chided Han Xue Nai with a frown on his face, "Just remember to be careful at all times. You should come back and personally offer the joss sticks to your master!"

"I'm just saying if I don't return..." Han Xue Nai's smile looked slightly forced at this moment. After all, she was only at the Eighth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, she was only stronger than the Nangong twins. She was not entirely confident she would be able to return alive.

"There's no ifs!" The Old Prophet said vehemently.

Han Xue Nai only sighed in response before she entered the black hole as well.

At this moment, only four people were left on the scene.

After a moment, the Old Prophet said, "Let's head back. This is a hidden location so I don't think people will come across this place."

Soon after, the four people left the ice mountain and returned to the nameless snow-capped mountain where the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate was located.

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Meanwhile, Di Huan, the Supreme Elder of the dragon clan, was still doing everything in his power to find Duan Ling Tian and seek revenge for his son. However, it seemed like his efforts were destined to be in vain.

Three months passed in just a blink of an eye.

This was the day where Di Chen would face his sixth Bodiless Celestial Tribulation. Since he did not get his revenge after he was humiliated by Duan Ling Tian, his obsession and the demon in his heart could not be removed. For this reason, he could not withstand the Bodiless Celestial Tribulation! After all, the tribulation targets one's inner demons. If one had any unsolved knots in one's heart, it would become a big problem during the Heart Demon Tribulation. Generally, those with inner demons in their hearts would not be able to pass the Heart Demon Tribulation. It was no surprise that Di Chen was killed after the tribulation lightning struck him.

"Chen'er!" Di Huan roared when he witnessed Di Chen's death. His voice was filled with agony and despair as it resounded in the entire dragon clan.

"Is that the Supreme Elder?"

"It sounds like him ... "

"Wait... Isn't his son facing his Bodiless Celestial Tribulation today? What happened?"

"It seems like things didn't go well for Di Chen."

"I'm not surprised if he fails his tribulation. Duan Ling Tian is still alive and well even after he had humiliated him. Di Chen's humiliation and anger have turned into an obsession. How could he pass the Heart Demon Tribulation this way?"

"Hush! Lower your voice! Are you seeking death? If the Supreme Elder hears you, you'll definitely turn into a cripple even if you manage to walk away alive!"

It did not take long before everyone in the dragon clan discovered the reason behind Di Huan's plaintive cry. They knew their clan had lost a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!

"If Di Chen didn't choose his life, and instead, fought to the death with Duan Ling Tian, he would have died with a good reputation in the dragon clan. He only managed to prolong his life for six months by acting like a coward, and now, even though he has died, his reputation is tarnished!"

"Perhaps, he didn't think things would end up this way ... "

"His father is the Supreme Leader after all. It's not a surprise if he thinks his father would be able to successfully seek revenge for him."

"Well, it's clear to see that there's no use even if his father is the Supreme Elder. He still failed to find Duan Ling Tian and seek revenge!"

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"Duan Ling Tian! I swear on my life that I'm not a dragon if I don't kill you!" Di Huan's furious voice rang in the dragon clan again after a few hours. It shook the dragon clan similar to a violent earthquake.

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Meanwhile, cracks on the void could be seen in multiple locations in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. Many tall and muscular figures could be seen swarming out from these cracks. These figures all possessed the heads of animals and had a human body. Some of them had the head of an ox, a pig, and even a horse!

Those who were in the know would be able to tell with just a glance the Devil Clans had invaded the Upper Province at last!

2397 The Whole World Is Turned Upside Down In Half A Year!

After Duan Ling Tian destroyed the almost-completed Inter-province Transportation Formation that was set up by the Devil Clans before he returned to the Upper Province, quite a few events had taken place in the Lower Province.

When the Devil Clans discovered that the Inter-province Transportation Formation was destroyed and the Formation Masters from the Devil Clans who were in charge of repairing the Inter-province Transportation Formation had all been killed, many of the Bodiless Celestials from the various Devil Clans were alerted to this.

At the same time, the Bodiless Celestials from the Human-devil clan and various Devil Clans left the Land of Exile and came to the Dao Martial Saint Land. With their joint effort, they forcefully opened a few spatial tears that allowed the vanguards from the Devil Clans to enter the Upper Province. Similar to Duan Ling Tian, these Bodiless Celestials were able to tear a hole in the void to facilitate their travels to the Upper Province. For this reason, the vanguards from the Devil Clans could easily travel to the Upper Province.

The devils who were currently swarming out of the spatial tears were the vanguards from the Devil Clans.

The people from the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land were distracted by the matter between the Seven Absolutes Sect and the dragon clan so they did not realize the Devil Clans had already invaded the Upper Province, let alone make preparations to fend off the Devil Clans.

It did not take long before the vanguards from the Devil Clans engaged in a one-sided slaughter with the people from the Upper Province!

Humans were fleeing for their lives in all directions. In just a blink of an eye, the Upper Province fell into chaos. The people discovered that the devils were much stronger than them.

"It's the Devil Clans! They're from the Devil Clans!"

"The Devil Clans have invaded the Upper Province! Help!"

Although there were strong powerhouses in the Upper Province, they were easily drowned by the sheer number of devils. Moreover, compared to the united devils, humans were similar to scattered leaves. It took only a month before one-tenth of the Upper Province was conquered by the Devil Clans.

It was at this moment that the entire Upper Province was alerted to the invasion by the Devil Clans. Everyone was shocked by the tragedy!

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In Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate that was located in a snow-capped mountain in the northern region.

The Old Prophet was shocked when he received news about the Devil Clans invasion. "I thought the sect leader said that he had destroyed the almost-completed Inter-province Transportation Formation in the Lower Province before he returned to the Upper Province? How did this happen?"

When the Old Prophet received subsequent news about the Devil Clans, he finally discovered how the Devil Clans managed to make their way to the Upper Province. 'As it turned out, the Bodiless Celestials from the Devil Clans made a move and helped open spatial tears that lead to the Upper Province. Since the Bodiless Celestials from the Devil Clans have made a move, I'm afraid the human Bodiless Celestials could no longer afford to sit back and watch...'

Soon after, the Old Prophet's expression darkened when he recalled something, 'No! Most Bodiless Celestials are gathered in the northern region. If a battle were to take place between the Bodiless Celestials from the Devil Clans and human Bodiless Celestials, the battlefield would most likely be in the northern region. I'm afraid our temporary estate will be affected as well! It seems like I better bring the few people in the sect with me to the hidden ice mountain!' The Old Prophet did not waste any time and quickly brought Duan Si Ling, Gan Ru Yan, and Qing Huo with him, leaving the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate for the hidden ice mountain where they had opened the Sword Saint Secret Zone. When they arrived at the ice mountain, they quickly constructed a few wooden sheds.

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In just a blink of an eye, a month had passed.

During this one month, the Devil Clans completed the repairs of the Inter-province Transportation Formation in the Lower Province so that the rest of the Devil Clans could come to the Upper Province.

During this time, a few Bodiless Celestials from the Devil Clans had also battled with the human Bodiless Celestials in the Upper Province. In comparison to the Bodiless Celestials from the Devil Clans, the human Bodiless Celestials were much weaker even though their cultivation base was the same. After all, the Devil Clans were bloodthirsty and combative. It gave them an edge over the human powerhouses. During the battles, many human Bodiless Celestials and Bodiless Celestials from the Devil Clans had fallen, but in comparison, humans lost many more Bodiless Celestials.

It did not take long before the dragon and phoenix clans made announcements of their own.

The phoenix clan had said if the Devil Clans did not return to the Land of Exile in a month, they would annihilate the Devil Clans.

On the other hand, the dragon clan also declared war on the Devil Clans if they failed to leave the Dao Martial Saint Land after a month.

The people in the Upper Province were, naturally, skeptical when they heard about the phoenix clan. They knew the dragon clan was strong after it was revealed that they had many Bodiless Celestials in their clan, including Five and Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. However, apart from the Bodiless Celestials, most people were unaware that the phoenix clan was just as strong as the dragon clan. For this reason, they were filled with doubts when they heard the phoenix clan's announcement. They were only enlightened when some Bodiless Celestials stepped forward to correct their misgivings. They learned that the phoenix clan was not inferior to the dragon clan in terms of resources and Bodiless Celestials!

"I didn't expect the phoenix clan would be so powerful as well!"

"You're right. Who knew that the three great sects, the Fire Worship Sect, the Black Kshetra Sect, and the Heaven Divination Sect, that we thought are the strongest forces in the Dao Martial Saint Land are inferior to the dragon and phoenix clans that we always thought were weaker."

"The dragon and phoenix clans, the two strongest forces in the Dao Martial Saint Land, have announced that they'll declare war on the Devil Clans if the Devil Clans don't withdraw their forces and return to the Land of Exile!"

"However, the Devil Clans are so fierce and bloodthirsty! Will they retreat just because the dragon and phoenix clans asked them to?"

Although the dragon and phoenix clans had made their stance clear, not many people believed that the Devil Clans would retreat after a month. If the Devil Clans were afraid of the dragon and phoenix clans, would they have invaded and slaughtered so many people in the Upper Province? How could they be so foolish if they were truly afraid?

Indeed. Just as expected, the Devil Clans completely disregarded the warning from the dragon and phoenix clans.

After a month had passed, many Bodiless Celestials were sent out of the dragon and phoenix clans. The Fire Worship Sect, the Black Kshetra Sect, and the Heaven Divination Sect were stunned when they saw the Bodiless Celestials who were sent out by the dragon and phoenix clans. The first group of Bodiless Celestials who were sent out by the dragon and phoenix clans was mostly ancestors from the three great sects! How could they not feel shocked? They had always thought there were no Bodiless Celestials in their sects. As it turned out, all of their Bodiless Celestials had joined either the dragon or phoenix clan! Naturally, the people from the three great sects were in an uproar.

"What happened?"

"Why did the Bodiless Celestials from our Fire Worship Sect deserted our sect and joined dragon and phoenix clans?"

"Why didn't they stay in our Black Kshetra Sect and lead our sect to glory? How could they choose to become dogs in the dragon and phoenix clans?"

Most people from the three great sects could not figure out why their ancestors would desert their respective sects and join the dragon and phoenix clans. Moreover, they seemed willing to obey the commands from the dragon and phoenix clans to the point that they even decided to risk their lives and serve as vanguards for the dragon and phoenix clans in their bid for war against the Devil Clans!

Naturally, these people were unaware that their ancestors did not willingly decide to serve as vanguards for the dragon and phoenix clans. How could their ancestors not be aware that their chances of survival were extremely slim? However, they had no choice but to step forward and serve as vanguards since they knew they would definitely die if they defied the orders from the dragon and phoenix clan. Those powerhouses from the dragon and phoenix clans were not to be trifled with. At the very least, if they agreed to serve as vanguards, they still have a chance of survival.

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In a hidden ice mountain in the northern region.

"Although I've heard from the sect leader that the dragon and phoenix clans had abducted many Bodiless Celestials from the three great sects, I didn't think the number of Bodiless Celestials they've abducted would be so great!"

Although the Old Prophet was currently staying in the isolated ice mountain in the northern region, he still knew what was going on. After all, he had the Red Dust Progeny's wide information network. After the death of Han Xue Nai's master, he had temporarily taken charge of the Red Dust Progeny's information network. He would return the reins to Han Xue Nai once she returned from the Sword Saint Secret Zone.

After a while, his trains of thoughts changed as he mused inwardly, 'It's been half a year since sect leader and the others entered the Sword Saint Secret Zone. I wonder what happened to them during these six months...'

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In the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone.

"Beyond Heaven Secret Zone? So, this place is not the Sword Saint Secret Zone, but it's known as the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone! Moreover, apart from the few of us, there are also people from another four mundane realms." In the past six months, Duan Ling Tian had encountered two groups of people from two different mundane realms. These people decided to gang up on him to steal from him when they saw he was alone. Unfortunately, all of them were killed by Duan Ling Tian!

2398 The Celestial Sword And The Soul Congregation Embodiment!

'I wonder what's the origin of the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone? There are even Celestial Supreme Treasures in here?' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself as he raised his hand. A sword appeared in his hand immediately.

The sword was translucent like a crystal. From afar, it looked as though it was made from water. It was extremely pleasing to the eyes. The sword that Duan Ling Tian held in his hand did not look particularly outstanding but it was a Celestial Supreme Treasure!

'Although this sword is far from being comparable to the Jasper Celestial Sword, it's still a Celestial Supreme Treasure. I didn't expect the first item I obtained in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone would be a Celestial Sword! With this sword, my strength has surpassed that of a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. I would say it's comparable to a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself as he studied the translucent sword in his hand.

'Fortunately, among the two groups of people that I encountered, the strongest among them were two Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. If there was a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, I'm not sure if I'll be able to obtain this Celestial Sword!' Duan Ling Tian had snatched this Celestial Sword from the two groups of people from the other mundane realms.

Earlier, Duan Ling Tian had come across a group of people and overheard their discussion about a treasure. For this reason, he decided to follow them from afar and eventually discovered the treasure that they had mentioned was a Celestial Supreme Treasure. Moreover, it was a Celestial Sword. If it was some other Celestial Weapon, it would not be much use to Duan Ling Tian. However, a Celestial Sword was extremely useful to Duan Ling Tian. After all, Duan Ling Tian who had inherited the legacy of Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang was a Sword Cultivator. A sword was akin to the life of a Sword Cultivator! The saying, 'A man lives when the sword is alive, and a man dies when the sword is dead', aptly described a Sword Cultivator.

With Duan Ling Tian's current strength, swords, even Super Saint Weapons, from the mundane realms were not helpful to him at all. Only Celestial Supreme Treasures or weapons of a higher grade would be able to help him raise his strength. For this reason, when he discovered the treasure was a Celestial Sword, he began to think of ways to get his hands on the Celestial Sword!

Shortly after, another group of people arrived. They had also wanted the Celestial Sword, therefore, they began to fight with the first group of people. Their verbal spat quickly escalated into a battle.

It was at that moment that Duan Ling Tian quickly made his move and sneakily obtained the Celestial Sword. Contrary to expectations, he did not leave as soon as he obtained the sword. Instead, he remained on the scene and studied the Celestial Sword.

Meanwhile, the two groups of people who had discovered the absence of the Celestial Sword finally stopped fighting and switched their target to Duan Ling Tian. How could they let Duan Ling Tian go? After all, they were fighting for the ownership of the sword. Now that the groups of people discovered that the sword they were fighting over had been taken by a third party, it was only natural that they would stop fighting.

'This is a good sword!' Duan Ling Tian had felt excited when he discovered the sword he held in his hand was a Celestial Supreme Treasure.

At the same time, the groups of people joined forces and began to attack Duan Ling Tian. Based on their attacks, it was clear that they intended to kill him.

Among the two groups of peoples, the two strongest people were Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. Duan Ling Tian had cast the assist-type Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Technique, and the Sovereign Heart Sword with the Celestial Sword to kill the two Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestials without expending too much effort. Before the others regained their senses, everyone, except for one person, was killed by him.

Duan Ling Tian had spared that person's life and interrogated him. Through that person, Duan Ling Tian learned that he was not in the so-called Sword Saint Secret Zone, but he was in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone that was linked to five mundane realms.

'This means Senior Feng Qing Yang didn't create this place. He had only worked to obtain a key for the future generation...' At that moment, realization finally dawned on Duan Ling Tian.

After that, Duan Ling Tian had tried to obtain more information about the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone from that person. However, the person did not know much. All he knew was the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone had existed since a very long time ago, and it would open every 100,000 to 200,000 years.

'In other words, I can only depend on myself in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. I can't expect help from Senior Feng Qing Yang since he didn't create this place. I'll have to depend on myself to deal with threats and see if I have any fortuitous encounter!' Duan Ling Tian became heavy-hearted when he thought about this. Prior to this, he had thought that the Sword Saint Secret Zone was created by Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang, therefore, the threats in here would not be too vicious and were only meant to strengthen and train him. He had thought he only needed to work hard to obtain the legacy left behind by Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang. However, currently, he realized there was no legacy from Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang in here! Based on what Duan Ling Tian had learned, he knew the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone was not simple. Even a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial would not miss the chance to enter this secret zone!

'Based on what I know, before ascending, Senior Feng Qing Yang's strongest technique was the Sovereign Heart Sword. However, after he came out from the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, he was capable of killing Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials even though he was only an Eminent Celestial. It's obvious that it had something to do with this secret zone!' Duan Ling Tian speculated inwardly, "It's likely that Senior Feng Qing Yang had a fortuitous encounter in here that granted him strength comparable to Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials and kill Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials despite only being an Eminent Celestial!"

Duan Ling Tian was extremely curious. In the past, after Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang had completely mastered all five stages of the Sovereign Heart Sword, his strength was only comparable to a Five Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. However, how did he possess strength comparable to a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial and the ability to kill Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials? Did he have some other heaven-defying techniques or was it due to a fortuitous encounter in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone? Was he even human? Even after thinking about it for a long time, he was not any closer to figuring it out. However, he thought it was more likely that Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang had a fortuitous encounter in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. The more he thought about it, the more convinced he was.

After a while, Duan Ling Tian's thought veered in another direction again. 'I didn't expect that apart from me and my companions, there are other people from the other four mundane realms who have entered the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone as well. Moreover, quite a number of them are Bodiless Celestials! Based on what that person said, there are at least 100 Bodiless Celestials from his mundane realm who have entered this secret zone!' He could not help but shudder when he thought about this. Although he was not entirely defenseless against a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, what if he met an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? Even worse, what if he met Bodiless Celestials who cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment?

It was no secret that Bodiless Celestials' true forms were their souls. In order to maintain the stability of their souls, it was impossible for them to unleash soul attacks unlike when they had a physical body. If they forcefully cast a soul attack, it might result in their deaths and their souls being destroyed. However, this could be avoided if they cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment. If a person cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment before becoming a Bodiless Celestial, once he or she had become a Bodiless Celestials, he or she would be able to cast soul attacks unreservedly. There was no need for them to fear death when they cast soul attacks.

'There are so many Bodiless Celestials in here... It's not impossible to have one or two of them who had successfully cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment.' When Duan Ling Tian thought of this, he felt his body turn cold.

If Duan Ling Tian met a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial who cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment, there was a chance that the Bodiless Celestial could injure Duan Ling Tian's soul before Duan Ling Tian could even kill the Bodiless Celestial.

If Duan Ling Tian was unlucky enough to meet a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial who had cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment, it would be difficult for his soul to survive the soul attack!

As impressive and strong as Duan Ling Tian was, when it came down to it, he was just an Eminent Celestial. How could his soul compare to those who were Three, Four, Five or even higher Tribulation Bodiless Celestials?

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Duan Ling Tian might be a match for a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial with his current strength if he used the Celestial Sword, providing the Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial did not cultivate the Soul Congregation Embodiment! In fact, even if his opponent was just a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial who had cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment, it would still be dangerous for him even if he could kill his opponent.

Previously, Duan Ling Tian had asked Chen Yi Ru, a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, about the number of Bodiless Celestials who had cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. Chen Yi Ru had said there were no Bodiless Celestials who had cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment in the Upper Province based on what he knew. At that time, Duan Ling Tian had realized how rare Bodiless Celestials who cultivated Soul Congregation Embodiment were.

Naturally, although they were rare, it did not mean there was none. Just because Chen Yi Ru said he did not think they were any did not mean there was none as well.

'According to that person, there are over 100 Bodiless Celestials from his mundane realm who have entered the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. Moreover, he said that the number of people that came to the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone from his mundane realm is not the highest. This means there are probably more Bodiless Celestials from the other mundane realms who came to the secret zone as well! Since there are so many Bodiless Celestials, it stands to reason that there must be a few of them who had cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment. It seems like I'll have to be more cautious in here. Let alone an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, any Bodiless Celestials who have cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment are a threat to me!' Duan Ling Tian was laden with anxiety when he thought about this. Initially, he had assumed he and his companions were the only ones in the secret zone. It was completely out of his expectation that there were people from another four mundane realms who had entered the secret zone as well. More importantly, there was no lack of powerful people like Chen Yi Ru among these people. In fact, there were also many people who were much stronger than Chen Yi Ru!

Since the beginning, Duan Ling Tian had not seen his companions in the secret zone. When he had just entered, he had waited for them for a long time, but he did not see any of them. At that time, he realized that as soon as they entered the black hole, they would be transported to random locations in the secret zone. Ever since then, he had traveled by his lonesome in the secret zone. He thought to himself, 'I wonder what Tian Wu, Xue Nai, San Dao, and the others are doing right now?'

Duan Ling Tian had been in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone for half a year now. In the beginning, he did not encounter anyone nor did he find anything worthy of his attention. Later on, he managed to obtain the Celestial Sword. The Celestial Sword was the only valuable thing he had obtained so far. However, he was still very pleased with this result. After all, only half a year had passed. He had nine and a half years ahead of him to search for more precious items in the secret zone.

'I wonder what kind of fortuitous encounter did Senior Feng Qing Yang have that granted him the ability to kill Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials and strength comparable to a Nine Tribulation Bodiless

Celestial despite only being an Eminent Celestial? If I have that kind of fortuitous encounter as well, I'll be invincible in the Dao Martial Saint Land,' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself as his eyes lit up like an array of stars in the night sky.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

All of a sudden, the sound of wind howling rang from the distance, interrupting Duan Ling Tian's thoughts. He looked up and saw four figures flying toward him from afar. As the four figures came closer, he could make out the figures belonged to three males and one female.

The woman was young. Although she was not as beautiful as Duan Ling Tian's two wives and Tian Wu, her features were exquisite. Her complexion was fair and ruddy, and her skin seemed as soft as babies' skin. He thought this woman would definitely be able to become an actress or an anchorwoman if she was on his home planet.

The other three were young men. One of them was tall and muscular. Although he looked like a brute, his eyes gleamed with an intelligent light. The second young man was average in height and his appearance was average as well. His eyes were dull as though he had no interest in everything that happened around him. The third young man had an athletic body. He was rather handsome as well. Naturally, he was not as handsome as Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian found the young woman, burly youth, and the apathetic youth rather pleasing to the eye. However, his impression of the handsome young man was not very good. He thought to himself, 'I can tell from this person's gaze that he's not a kind person.'

Duan Ling Tian had seen the handsome young man looking at the young woman lecherously. Based on the handsome young man's gaze, it seemed as though he could not wait to pounce on the woman and ravish her. On the other hand, when he looked at the burly youth and the apathetic youth, hints of disdain and arrogance could be seen in his eyes.

Before those four people arrived in front of Duan Ling Tian, he heard the burly young man saying, "There's someone up ahead. It seems like our small group is going to gain another member! The more the merrier, I say! It'll make traveling in the secret zone much safer."

The young woman snuck a glance at Duan Ling Tian. Her eyes brightened and she said excitedly, "If he joins us, there'll be five people in our group. Five people should be enough, right?"

"Zhang Yi, Rong Bo... What do you think?" The burly youth asked the apathetic youth and the handsome youth.

"I agree." The apathetic youth nodded. It seemed like he guarded his words as though they were gold.

"I don't care as long as he doesn't hold us back," the handsome young man said. The entire time, his gaze was fixed on the young woman. He only looked at Duan Ling Tian indifferently before turning away. "I'm not going to save him if he holds us back or if he encounters danger." "Rong Bo!" The burly young man frowned when he heard the handsome young man's words. "If he joins us, he'll be our companion. If he's in danger, we'll have to try and save him. Your remarks are unnecessary!"

"Unnecessary?" Rong Bo, the handsome young man, chuckled as he said disdainfully, "Wang Shi. Let alone him, I wouldn't even save you and Zhang Yi if both of you are in danger when we enter that place. At most, I'll only help Liu Xia..." His eyes darted to the young woman next to him as soon as he finished speaking.

The young woman, Liu Xia, frowned. However, she did not speak up as though something was holding her back.

Wang Shi frowned as well when he heard Rong Bo's words. Even the apathetic Zhang Yi furrowed his brows for a moment. However, similar to Liu Xia, both of them did not speak up as though they were held back by something.

Finally, Wang Shi took a deep breath to calm himself. Then, he looked at the purple figure up ahead before he said, "Let's go! Let's go over there!"

Zhang Yi and Liu Xia flew ahead, following Wang Shi.

However, Rong Bo who was the back of the group suddenly piped up, "I changed my mind. I don't think he should join us unless his cultivation base is at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!"

"You're aware that I haven't broken through to the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, right?" Liu Xia asked with a frown.

"It's different. You're a woman, he's not," Rong Bo said as he looked at the purple figure coldly.

Not only did Duan Ling Tian hear the conversation between the four people, but he had also caught the cold and vicious glint in Rong Bo's eyes when he looked at him. 'I don't think I've ever offended this Rong Bo, right?' He was quite curious. He had never met Rong Bo prior to this, why was Rong Bo so hostile toward him?

It did not take long before the four people arrived before Duan Ling Tian. Liu Xia, the young woman, took the initiative to speak first. She said with a smile, "Hello, my name is Liu Xia."

Liu Xia had a good impression of Duan Ling Tian. However, it was obvious that her good impression stemmed from Duan Ling Tian's good looks. He was tall and strong with an extraordinary air about him. The three young men at the side paled in comparison to him.

On the other hand, Duan Ling Tian discovered a hint of jealousy that flashed in Rong Bo's eyes when Liu Xia took the initiative to greet him. He could roughly guess the source of Rong Bo's animosity toward him even though this was their first meeting.

"I'm Duan Ling Tian." There was no need to guess, Duan Ling Tian knew these four people must have come from the other four mundane realms. For this reason, there was no need to hide his identity. However, it had to be said that even if these four people came from the same mundane realm as him, there was still no need to conceal his identity. Liu Xia did not beat around the bush and said, "Duan Ling Tian, Wang Shi and I found a place with precious items about a month ago. However, we're not strong enough to explore that place. For this reason, we decided to look for a few companions to enter that place. We met Zhang Yi first before we met Rong Bo. Rong Bo is the strongest among us. He's an Eminent Celestial."

Rong Bo looked at Duan Ling Tian arrogantly and disdainfully when Liu Xia spoke about him. He said condescendingly, "Brat, know your place. If your cultivation base is not at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, you should scram now!"

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Liu Xia frowned immediately. She looked at Rong Bo and said, "Rong Bo, that's enough! We've put up with your overbearing attitude and arrogance because you're an Eminent Celestial. You knew right from the start that we planned to add new members to our group. Now that we've met someone, you're chasing him away! If you find this beneath you and you want to leave, please feel free to leave!" She became angrier and angrier as she spoke.

Rong Bo looked at Liu Xia incredulously as though he could not believe the outburst. He said furiously, "Liu Xia, you!" He did not expect Liu Xia would get rid of him just to keep an unknown man with unknown abilities. He took a deep breath to suppress the flames of fury in his heart before he looked at Wang Shi and Zhang Yi. "Do both of you agree with her? Are you going to make me, an Eminent Celestial, leave just because of an unknown man who might not even have broken through to the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage?"

Wang Shi grunted in agreement and said, "I respect Liu Xia's decision."

"How dare you!" Rong Bo's rage that he had suppressed with great difficulty rose again when he heard Wang Shi's words. He turned to Zhang Yi and asked, "What about you, Zhang Yi?"

Although Zhang Yi was usually indifferent and taciturn. He was generous this time and imparted four words to Rong Bo. "I respect their decisions."

The truth was, none of them could stand Rong Bo's overbearing behavior and arrogance. However, they had tolerated him in the beginning because he was an Eminent Celestial. An Eminent Celestial would help them quite a lot if they were to explore that place. Unless it was absolutely necessary, they did not want to lose him. Unfortunately, Rong Bo had provoked them over and over again. All of them were annoyed and disappointed. At this moment, all their pent up anger and frustrations broke loose.

"You... You..." Rong Bo began to tremble in anger when he heard Zhang Yi's reply. He really did not expect these three people would rather keep this unknown man and kick him out.

Duan Ling Tian did not bother with Rong Bo. He looked at Liu Xia and asked, "That place you discovered, what kind of place is it? Do you know what treasures are in there?"

Liu Xia shook her head. "We don't know specifically what treasures are in there. However, many Formations were set up in that place as though someone is trying to guard something. Based on the information that has been passed down for generations in my sect, those places that have many Formations usually contain rare treasures!" Her gaze brightened when she approached the end of her sentence, it was clear that she could not contain her excitement at all. Duan Ling Tian nodded. "Alright! I'll join you!" He recalled the place where he found the Celestial Sword had many Formations as well. For this reason, he was certain the place that Liu Xia discovered contained rare treasures as well.

Duan Ling Tian was, naturally, tempted by the precious treasures. He decided to join Liu Xia's group since he knew he would not be able to find that place if he did not join them. Moreover, apart from Rong Bo, he had a good impression of the other three people. Although it was still too early to tell, at the very least, he should not have a problem getting along with these three people.

Wang Shi looked at Duan Ling Tian excitedly as he said, "Thank you for joining us, Brother Ling Tian! By the way, you look quite young. It doesn't seem like you're a Bodiless Celestial. If you don't mind me asking, what's your cultivation base?" He paused for a moment, then, as though he had thought of something, he quickly added, "Please don't take it the wrong way. I'm just curious. Even if you're at the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, you're still welcome to join our group!"

Wang Shi had used the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage as an example because even though there was no cultivation base restriction to enter the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, most people under the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage would not enter the secret zone since it would only mean death.

As soon Wang Shi finished speaking, Liu Xia and Zhang Yi shifted their attention to Duan Ling Tian immediately.

Rong Bo who had yet to leave turned to look at Duan Ling Tian with a mocking expression as though he was waiting for Duan Ling Tian to make a fool of himself.

Boom!

Suddenly, a wave of majestic and terrifying aura surged out of Duan Ling Tian's body. It was his Celestial Origin Energy that was mixed with Saint Origin. His energy pressured the people present on the scene.

"Em-Eminent Celestial!" Wang Shi's mouth was agape. His eyes were filled with excitement and the slight regret he felt from siding with Liu Xia's decision to kick Rong Bo out of the group vanished immediately. After all, although Rong Bo's personality was horrible, it was undoubtedly a huge loss for their group to lose an Eminent Celestial. However, what was there to regret now that another Eminent Celestial had joined their group? Moreover, this new Eminent Celestial who joined their group seemed to have a good temperament.

"Y-you're an Eminent Celestial?" Liu Xia was, naturally, pleasantly surprised. She did not expect to meet another Eminent Celestial so casually.

Zhang Yi who was usually apathetic could not stop himself from smiling as well.

On the other hand, Rong Bo turned red from anger. He felt extremely embarrassed. He felt as though Duan Ling Tian had just slapped him.

At this moment, Wang Shi turned to look at Rong Bo and said coldly, "Rong Bo! Since Brother Ling Tian has already proven his capability, are you going to leave or are you still going to join us to explore that place?" Since a new Eminent Celestial had joined their group, he was no longer hesitant. He would not feel regret if Rong Bo left. However, if Rong Bo decided to stay, it was still a win-win situation. After all, it would mean they had two Eminent Celestials in their group.

Rong Bo scoffed, but he did not leave. It was clear that he did not plan to leave.

Liu Xia furrowed her brows. Although she would much prefer it if Rong Bo left, she did not say anything since Wang Shi had already spoken.

Wang Shi looked at everyone as his eyes gleamed excitedly. "There are five of us now. We have two Eminent Celestials, two people at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, and one person at the Eight Form of the Saint Celestial Stage! I think with our combined strength, we can explore that place now!"

Wang Shi flew in front, leading the others to the place that they had discovered.

During their journey, Liu Xia suddenly asked, "Duan Ling Tian, if I'm not mistaken, you came from the Mouro Realm right?"

Wang Shi, Zhang Yi, and Rong Bo felt their ears perked up when they heard Liu Xia's question. They were, naturally, curious about this.

"Mouro Realm?" Duan Ling Tian was baffled. He asked, "Why... Why are you asking about this?"

"Between the four of us, we came from three different mundane realms. The Beyond Heaven Secret Zone is linked to five mundane realms. Out of the five mundane realms, there are four big mundane realms. Three of the mundane realms that we came from are among the four big mundane realms. It's impossible that we haven't heard about you since you're an Eminent Celestial who's younger than 100 years old. For this reason, I assume you're from the final large mundane realm, the Mouro Realm!"

After listening to Liu Xia's explanation, Duan Ling Tian was enlightened. He shook his head. "I'm not from the Mouro Realm, I'm from the Saint Province Realm!"

When Duan Ling Tian was in the Lower Province, he had learned from the Devil Clans that the Dao Martial Saint Land was known as the Saint Province Realm.

"Saint Province Realm? Is that the small mundane realm?" Liu Xia's eyes widened in surprise. An incredulous expression appeared on her face as she said, "H-how's this possible? How did you become an Eminent Celestial before turning 100 in a small mundane realm with depleting resources?"

Wang Shi looked at Duan Ling Tian with shock and fear as he said "Brother Ling Tian, that's a little too amazing, right? From what I know, there was only one person from the Saint Province Realm who became an Eminent Celestial Stage before he turned 100 who entered the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. If I'm not mistaken, that person's name was Feng Qing Yang. He had entered the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone the last time it opened!"