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2481 The Disappearance of the Intelligence Network

"Mother!" Duan Si Ling cried out. She was able to clearly sense what was happening outside even though she was cultivating. She was not in closed-door cultivation after all. She was instantly alerted when she heard a familiar voice calling out to her. She knew it was her mother.

Bang!

The sounds of Duan Si Ling opening and closing the door echoed in the valley. Soon after, a slim figure flashed into the valley.

"Father! Mother!" As soon as Duan Si Ling saw her parents, she immediately charged toward them with tears of joy filling her eyes. It was as though a dam that she had erected for so long finally broke.

"Si Ling!" Ke'er held Duan Si Ling tightly in her arms, seemingly unwilling to let go, as soon as she ran forward to meet Duan Si Ling halfway.

"Si Ling..." Duan Ling Tian's usual calm and unflappable expression disappeared immediately as soon as he saw Ke'er hugging the young girl who had grown up. His eyes were filled with affection and a warm smile appeared on his face. 'Only a few years have passed, but you've grown so much, daughter'

Currently, Duan Si Ling was already sixteen years old. Even then, Duan Si Ling's pretty face that she inherited from Duan Ling Tian and Ke'er still contained innocence.

Feng Tian Wu who was standing next to Duan Ling Tian stared at him as he watched on affectionately as Ke'er and Duan Si Ling hugged. A pang of jealousy appeared in her heart when she saw this. If it was possible... She really wished to have a child with Duan Ling Tian.

Han Xue Nai, Chen Yi Ru, and the others stood silently as they watched the mother and daughter hugging. No one made a sound as though they were afraid of disrupting the moment.

Zoom! Zoom!

At some point, the Old Prophet and Guardian Qing Huo formerly from the Fire Worship Sect made their appearances as well. They were overjoyed to see Duan Ling Tian and the others returned unharmed. Although there was much they wanted to say, they remained silent as well as they watched the mother and daughter hugging.

Time seemed to have stood still at this moment.

After a few moments, Ke'er and Duan Si Ling finally realized the surroundings were abnormally silent and found everyone's eyes trained on them. Both of them blushed as Ke'er led Duan Si Ling by hand and returned to Duan Ling Tian's side.

Duan Ling Tian beamed as she looked at her father who seemed unchanged. She truly admired and respected her father. "Father."

"I haven't seen you in just a few years, and you've grown so much. You're almost as tall as your mother now," Duan Ling Tian said as he patted Duan Si Ling's head. He looked at her affectionately. Duan Si Ling had grown up so much that she was almost as tall as her mother now. In about one or two years, his daughter would be as tall as her mother.

Feng Tian Wu who was standing next to Duan Ling Tian asked with a warm smile, "Si Ling, do you still remember me?"

"Aunt Tian Wu!" Duan Ling Tian moved next to Feng Tian Wu and held her hand. She said with a giggle, "How can I forget you, Aunty Tian Wu? You're still as youthful and pretty compared to when I last saw you."

Although Feng Tian Wu did not spend a lot of time with Duan Si Ling before entering the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, she had showered Duan Si Ling with a lot of love during that time. This was also why Duan Si Ling had a good impression of her.

"You're such a sweet talker, Si Ling." Feng Tian Wu laughed when she heard Duan Si Ling's words.

Han Xue Nai decided to join the fun and asked, "Si Ling, how about me? How about me? Do you still remember me?"

After greeting Han Xue Nai, Duan Si Ling went to Gan Ru Yan's side and held her hand.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian was deep in discussion with the Old Prophet and Guardian Qing Huo.

"Did you gain anything during your trip to the Sword Saint Secret Zone?" The Old Prophet asked eagerly as he stared at Duan Ling Tian with hopes shining in his eyes.

"Junior Uncle Old Prophet, in fact, there's no such thing as the Sword Saint Secret Zone."

Duan Ling Tian had anticipated such a question from the Old Prophet so he disabused the Old Prophet of that notion immediately.

"There's no Sword Saint Secret Zone? What do you mean?" The Old Prophet was understandably shocked.

"The so-called Sword Saint Secret Zone that we entered is actually a Beyond Heaven Secret Zone..."

Duan Ling Tian explained everything he knew to the Old Prophet. Naturally, he did not forget to tell the Old Prophet about how Feng Qing Yang had obtained the inheritance from a Great Overarching Golden Celestial the last time the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone opened.

"Beyond Heaven Secret Zone? It's connected to five mundane realms. All of them are large mundane realms except for our Saint Province Realm?" This was a lot of the Old Prophet to process. "Powerhouses are everywhere in the large mundane realms... Although Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials are scarce in our realm, there are quite a few of them in the large mundane realms?" He continued muttering, "Ancestor Feng Qing Yang was able to kill an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial and defeated a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial despite being an Eminent Celestial because he obtained the inheritance from a Great Overarching Golden Celestial the last time the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone opened?"

Not only was the Old Prophet shocked, but Guardian Qing Huo was shocked as well.

Then, Duan Ling Tian continued to recount what happened to them in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone.

"There are so many powerhouses in those mundane realms? Most top forces have Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials?"

The Old Prophet and Qing Huo's mouths were agape the more they listened to Duan Ling Tian. They felt as though they were the toads living in a shallow well.

"Junior Uncle Old Prophet, how's the situation in the Upper Province since the Devil Clans have invaded?"

A few years had passed since the Devil Clans had invaded the Upper Province, Duan Ling Tian who had just returned to the Saint Province Realm was, naturally, in a hurry to find out about the state of the Upper Province. It was important to know one's enemies to gain the upper hand.

"I lost contact with the outside world around a year ago... At that time, the connection of the Red Dust Progeny's intelligence network with me was mysteriously broken." The Old Prophet sighed when he heard Duan Ling Tian's question. He forced a smile then continued to say, "Currently, I suspect that the Red Dust Progeny's intelligence network is under someone else's control or it has been destroyed. Otherwise, it's impossible for them not to pass me any information."

Since the death of Han Xue Nai's master, the control of the intelligence network of Red Dust Progeny had been given to the Old Prophet. Initially, the Old Prophet planned to pass the intelligence network of the Red Dust Progeny to Han Xue Nai who was the current successor of the Red Dust Progeny after she came out of the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. He did not expect the Red Dust Progeny's intelligence network would suddenly disappear a year ago.

Duan Ling Tian asked with a frown, "So you don't know what's been going on outside?"

The Old Prophet shook his head and continued, "I intend to go and investigate the matter. However, I notice that since the Devil Clans have invaded the Upper Province, many devils have appeared in the usually peaceful northern region. It would be hard for me to make a move in this small area, let alone the entire northern region."

The Old Prophet sounded helpless when he spoke. He had not even broken through to the Fourth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. There was hardly anything he could do to the devils. If he was caught by the devils, he would definitely die.

The Old Prophet continued to say, "Initially, I was worried... After losing connection with the Red Dust Progeny's intelligence network, I was afraid people and devils alike would discover this place in a year. Now that all of you have returned, I can finally feel relieved. Since this black hole leads to the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, and the inheritance from a Great Overarching Golden Celestial has been obtained, it doesn't matter if this place is exposed."

"Junior Uncle Old Prophet, why do you think this place will be exposed in a year? What do you mean?" Duan Ling Tian asked in confusion.

The Old Prophet had already expected this question from Duan Ling Tian so he replied, "The intelligence network of the Red Dust Progeny is very complex and interconnected. Since I was receiving news from the Red Dust Progeny's intelligence network, at the same time, this means they knew of my location as well. It would not be long before they trace it back to this place. If someone has truly taken over the Red Dust Progeny's intelligence network, I estimate they would take a year to find me."

"I see." Duan Ling Tian understood the situation now. 'It seems like I'll have to personally find out about the state of the Upper Province.'

2482 Snatching Back the Estate

Since Duan Ling Tian and his companions had returned, there was no need for the Old Prophet and the others to stay in this godforsaken place.

"Let's go! Let's return to the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate!" Duan Ling Tian led the group to the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate that was located on a snow-capped mountain.

Their journey started smoothly. However, it did not take long before two Dog Devils appeared, salivating and staring at Ke'er, Feng Tian Wu, Han Xue Nai, and the other women. The devils' eyes were filled with greed and lust.

"Dog Devils?" Naturally, it was easy for Duan Ling Tian to identify the devils based on their appearance. Since he had stayed in the Human-devil Clan's estate when he was in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land for quite a while, he was privy to the matters in the Devil Clans, including the Dogdevil Clan.

Although the Dog-devil Clan could not be considered as one of the top clans in the Devil Clans, it was not entirely a clan without strength.

The two Dog Devils looked at each other and said in unison, "Old rules! Kill the men and keep the women!" After that, they moved toward Duan Ling Tian and his companions like a gust of wind, targeting the men in the group.

Chen Yi Ru scoffed when the two Dog Devils made a move. In just a blink of an eye, he moved in front of the two Dog Devils like an arrow that had been shot out, blocking the two Dog Devils' path.

Whoosh! Whoosh!

The strength of the two Dog Devils was weaker than a cultivator at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Therefore, they were frightened out of their wits when they saw someone had appeared out of thin air, staring at them like a ravenous tiger. Despite their strange appearance, they were quite intelligent. Since they could not capture the old man's movements, they knew the old man was stronger than them.

Chen Yi Ru said reproachfully, "How dare you two monsters act recklessly in front of my master? Are you seeking death?" As soon as he finished speaking, he swung his right hand that was holding onto a saber, leaving dazzling saber rays in its wake.

Buzz!

The saber rays traveled across the sky, leaving an imperceptible crack in the void.

In the next moment, a soft noise rang in the air as the two Dog Devils were slashed to death. Their eyes were open as though they had died with dissatisfaction.

Boom!

After killing the two Dog Devils, Chen Yi Ru destroyed the two Dog Devils' corpses with just a flick of his sleeve.

Duan Ling Tian, who was standing nearby, nodded his head in satisfaction when he saw how Chen Yi Ru had dealt with this matter.

Chen Yi Ru had always been competent. He had destroyed the two Dog Devils' corpses after killing them to prevent Duan Si Ling from seeing the bloody scene.

As soon as Chen Yi Ru destroyed the two Dog Devils' corpses, he detected a slight buzz of energy. He smiled coldly. "Mirror Image Dao Talisman?" Although the presence of the Mirror Image Dao Talisman meant the Dog Devils had someone supporting them, he was not afraid. After all, the person supporting the two Dog Devils might not be stronger than him. Even if that person was stronger, so what? His master had strength comparable to a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. Apart from that, his master's wife had killed two Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials who were wielding Celestial Supreme Treasures in just a blink of an eye. Her strength was comparable to Golden Celestials in the Devata Realms.

He was aware of Ke'er's strength since Duan Ling Tian had previously told him about the celestial ranking in Devata Realms. Golden Celestials were ranked above Heaven Celestials. Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials' strength was comparable to Heaven Celestials at the peak of their strength. After a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial successfully passed the Bodiless Celestial Tribulation and ascended to a Devata Realm, he would become a Golden Celestial.

Chen Yi Ru thought to himself confidently, 'Even if the powerhouse supporting the two Dog Devils is a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, he'll certainly die if he comes to look for trouble with us!' He continued thinking to himself, 'However, master said it's unlikely that there are Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials in the Devil Clans.' Nevertheless, he was not worried even if there were Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials in the Devil Clans, they were no threat after all.

Han Xue Nai rolled her eyes and smiled when she noticed the aura of the Mirror Image Dao Talisman. "They have the Mirror Image Dao Talisman? I'm interested to see whether the person backing them would dare to come looking for us."

"Probably not. With the strength Senior Chen Yi Ru displayed, the average devils would be frightened when they see it. It's unlikely they'll try to seek revenge from Senior Chen Yi Ru," Nangong Yi replied.

Chen Yi Ru was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial after all. Ordinary devils would not dare to look for trouble with him.

The appearance of the two Dog Devils was just a slight disturbance to Duan Ling Tian and his companions. After that, they encountered a few groups of devils who tried to look for trouble with them during their journey, but they were all killed by Chen Yi Ru.

The strongest among the devils was only at the Fifth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Let alone a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial like Chen Yi Ru, even the Nangong twins could easily deal with these devils.

It did not take long before Duan Ling Tian and his companions arrived at their destination, the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate on a nameless snow-capped mountain. "We've arrived!"

At this moment, the Old Prophet spoke up, "I received news from the Red Dust Progeny a year ago that our temporary estate had been taken over by a group of devils." He was not worried about this since he had been informed by Nangong Yi that Duan Ling Tian's strength was comparable to a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. When he first learned about Duan Ling Tian's strength, he was thoroughly shocked. After all, Duan Ling Tian's strength was comparable to a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial and Feng Qing Yang, but Duan Ling Tian did not even obtain the inheritance from a Great Overarching Golden Celestial. He was overjoyed when he thought about this since this meant the Seven Absolutes Sect would rise to the top again and regain its glory from the era of Feng Qing Yang.

The devils who had occupied the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate were only a group of Boar Devils. The strongest among them was only at the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Chen Yi Ru killed all of them on his own.

Needless to say, Duan Ling Tian and his companions successfully snatched their temporary estate back.

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Dong! Dong! Dong!

"Please spare my life, sir! Spare my life, sir!"

In a spacious great hall, a devil with the head of a boar and human body kneeled on the ground and kowtowed repeatedly even though his forehead was drenched in blood. It seemed as though he was not aware of it as he continued to kowtow and begged for mercy.

A purple-clad young man sat on the highest seat in the great hall. An old man stood respectfully behind him. The purple-clad young man was none other than Duan Ling Tian.

Chen Yi Ru had intentionally spared this Boar Devil's life earlier under Duan Ling Tian's order.

At this moment, the Boar Devil was still kowtowing and begging for mercy. His eyes flashed with fear that came from his heart and soul when he looked at Duan Ling Tian. Chen Yi Ru was already so strong, but he was so respectful toward Duan Ling Tian and addressed Duan Ling Tian as master. Chen Yi Ru had effortlessly killed all the Boar Devils, how terrifying would his master be then?

As Duan Ling Tian stared at the Boar Devil, he said indifferently, "Tell me what I want to know, and I'll let you go."

Upon hearing this, the Boar Devil realized his life had been spared because Duan Ling Tian had questions to ask him.

"Sir, please ask away! I'll tell you everything I know!" The Boar Devil replied deferentially, he had finally stopped kowtowing and begging for mercy.

"Since the Devil Clans invaded the Upper Province of Dao Martial Saint Land, the Upper Province has been in chaos... I want to know if Devil Clans or the humans have the upper hand now?" Duan Ling Tian asked indifferently.

The Boar Devil was originally worried and convinced that Duan Ling Tian would ask him some tricky questions. Therefore, he was stunned when he heard Duan Ling Tian's question.

2483 Mighty Arrival In The Dragon Clan

The Boar Devil thought he had heard wrongly so he asked, "Sir, may I know what is it you want to ask?" Was there a need to inquire about the current state of the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land?

"I don't want to repeat myself," Duan Ling Tian said with a slight frown on his face. His eyes flashed with impatience when he saw the Boar Devil looking at him skeptically.

"Yes, yes!" The Boar Devil was so frightened when he saw the impatience in Duan Ling Tian's eyes. He quickly revealed the current state of the Upper Province of Dao Martial Saint Land.

"Both the southern region and the northern region in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land have been taken over by the Devil Clans?"

"The Devil Clans haven't been able to take over the western and eastern regions because of the phoenix and dragon clans respectively. Currently, the central region of the Upper Province has become the main battlefield for the Devil Clans from the Land of Exile and the humans from Saint Province Realm..."

Through the Boar Devil, Duan Ling Tian had a rough understanding of the state in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

"The strongest existence in the Devil Clans is an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? Both the Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials from the dragon and phoenix clan and the Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in the Devil Clan fought to a draw?" Duan Ling Tian muttered under his breath. After thinking about it for a moment, he thought to himself, 'This shouldn't be the extent of the Devil Clans' strength.'

Although it was said that the Devil Clans did not have any Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, it might not be the case.

After a while, Duan Ling Tian looked at the Boar Devil who was kneeling before him and said nonchalantly, "Since you're pretty cooperative, you can f*ck off now!" To him, the Boar Devil was nothing more than an insignificant existence in the Devil Clans. It did not matter to him if he killed the Boar Devil or not.

"Thank you, sir! Thank you, sir!" The Boar Devil thanked Duan Ling Tian joyfully and quickly rushed out of the great hall and left the snow-capped mountain.

After the Board Devil left, Duan Ling Tian rose to his feet. His eyes flashed with fury as he said, "Now, I'll go to the dragon clan and settle our old scores!" He would never forget the deaths of two successors in the Seven Absolutes Sect that was caused by the dragon clan.

The dragon clan had killed Gu Li, the successor of the Kratos Progeny, the third Absolute, and Yue Wu Ying, the successor of the Dark Shadow Progeny, the fourth Absolute.

In just a blink of an eye, Duan Ling Tian left the hall. He stared at the sky as he murmured, "Senior Brother Gu Li, if you're watching from heaven, please watch carefully as I seek revenge from the dragon clan for you!"

"San Dao." Duan Ling Tian beckoned Chen Yi Ru who had just exited the great hall after he regained his senses.

"Master," Chen Yi Ru replied respectfully.

Duan Ling Tian said, "From now on, you're free. There's no need for you to follow me."

Upon hearing Duan Ling Tian's words, Chen Yi Ru became anxious. "Master! Did I do something that's not to your liking? Please let me know so I won't repeat my mistake."

"Don't misunderstand my words," Duan Ling Tian shook his head and explained with a faint smile, "What I mean is we're no longer master and slave. You may choose to stay or leave the Seven Absolutes Sect. It's up to you"

Chen Yi Ru had been faithful in serving Duan Ling Tian for quite a period of time, and he was extremely satisfied with Chen Yi Ru. For this reason, he decided to release Chen Yi Ru from his promise.

"I'm sorry for misunderstanding you." Chen Yi Ru realized that he had misunderstood Duan Ling Tian's meaning. He continued to say, "Thank you for your grace, master. However, I'm willing to follow you."

Duan Ling Tian said decisively, "Well, in any case, you're free from today onward!"

"I'll stay in the Seven Absolutes Sect as a guardian!" Chen Yi Ru said determinedly.

Duan Ling Tian smiled faintly. "The Seven Absolutes Sect welcomes you!"

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Soon after, Duan Ling Tian informed the other members of the Seven Absolutes Sect about the matter.

"Welcome, Guardian Chen!"

"Welcome, Guardian Chen!"

The members of Seven Absolutes Sect led by the Old Prophet welcomed Chen Yi Ru who was a Four Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. Chen Yi Ru joining the sect would only make the sect stronger. Previously, he was not a member of the Seven Absolutes Sect even though he followed Duan Ling Tian and followed Duan Ling Tian's orders. If Duan Ling Tian ascended to a Devata Realm, he would have left the sect. However, now that he became a guardian of the Seven Absolutes Sect, he would stay in the Seven Absolutes Sect whether or not Duan Ling Tian was around.

After this matter was dealt with, Duan Ling Tian went to look for Ke'er to inform her about his intention to seek revenge from the dragon clan. "Ke'er, I'm planning to head to the dragon clan."

Ke'er said without any hesitation, "Brother Tian, I'll come with you."

"There's no need for that." Duan Ling Tian shook his head as a faint smile appeared on his face. "With my current cultivation, I'm not afraid even if the dragon clan has a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial! Moreover, don't you have the jade token I've given you? If I need your help, I'll notify you through the jade token so don't worry. With your current strength, it'll only take you a couple of dozens of breaths to travel across half of the Upper Province. Furthermore, you can protect Si Ling and the others if you stay here. With you around, I don't have to worry about their safety."

After listening to Duan Ling Tian's words, she knew she could insist on going to the dragon clan with Duan Ling Tian. She said solemnly, "Brother Tian, if you encounter any problem, you must notify me immediately." Although Ke'er knew no one in the Upper Province should be able to threaten Duan Ling Tian's safety, she still could not help but worry. She was afraid harm would befall him. She had determinedly improved her strength because of her strong desire to help him after all. She did not want to be a useless person by his side.

"I will." Duan Ling Tian immediately agreed. He then added, "Please inform Tian Wu about this on my behalf. I think my trip to the dragon clan won't take long, providing there are no unseen circumstances."

"Okay." Ke'er nodded. She had always been very meek and obedient when faced with Duan Ling Tian.

After Duan Ling Tian bade farewell to Ke'er, he left the Seven Absolutes Sect's temporary estate that was located on a nameless snow-capped mountain. He quickly left the northern region and made his way to the eastern region of the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. As soon as he arrived in the eastern region, he instantly made his way to the dragon clan. Soon after, he arrived at the 100,000 Towering Mountains where the dragon clan was located.

"So this is the 100,000 Towering Mountains where the dragon clan's estate is located?" With Duan Ling Tian's current strength, he easily dealt with the Misty Illusory Formation shrouding the dragon clan's estate. In fact, there was no need for him to destroy the Formation, he could easily bypass the Formation if he wanted to.

Swoosh!

Duan Ling Tian stood on a sword as he made his way swiftly into the dragon clan's estate, leaving rainbow-like light in his wake.

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At the same time, the members of the dragon clan were alerted to the presence of an intruder.

"Enemy attack! Enemy attack!"

"Based on the thunderous sounds, I can feel how terrifying the intruder is! Is it a powerhouse from the Devil Clans?"

"Who has the audacity to trespass onto the grounds of our dragon clan's estate?"

As chaos descended on the dragon clan, Duan Ling Tian's voice resounded thunderously in every nook and cranny in the dragon clan's estate. "I'm Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect. I came to the dragon clan to seek revenge from the culprit responsible for the deaths of my sect's

members, Gu Li and Yue Wu Ying! If you don't hand the culprit over to me today, I'll annihilate the dragon clan!"

The entire dragon clan's estate fell silent immediately.

Duan Ling Tian? The Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect personally came? Moreover, he had boldly announced that he had come to seek revenge, and if the dragon refused to hand the culprit over, he would annihilate the dragon clan?

A hint of surprise could be seen on the face of a member of the dragon clan as he said skeptically, "D-did I hear correctly? Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect, said he'll annihilate our dragon clan?"

"You heard correctly. He said if we don't hand over the culprit responsible for the deaths of the two members from his sect, Gu Li and Yue Wu Ying, he'll annihilate our dragon clan!"

"He's crazy! Crazy! The Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect is insane! Who does he think he is? He thinks he can destroy our dragon clan?"

"The Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect is seeking death!"

When the members of the dragon clan regained their senses, they erupted in anger. All of them thought Duan Ling Tian was courting death!

2484 The Target Appeared

Above the dragon clan's estate in the 100,000 Towering Mountains, a purple-clad young man hovered in the air as he looked down indifferently. His eyes flashed viciously as he murmured, "Senior Brother Gu Li, I'll avenge you today!"

The purple-clad young man who had invaded the dragon clan's estate was none other than Duan Ling Tian

Duan Ling Tian was not lying earlier when he said he would annihilate the dragon clan if they did not hand over the culprit responsible for Gu Li, Yue Wu Ying, and Han Xue Nai's master's deaths. Initially, he had thought to directly annihilate the dragon clan since he had Ke'er's help. If Ke'er got involved, let alone one dragon clan, she would be able to annihilate more than one dragon clan. However, after thinking about it, he decided to only kill those responsible for Gu Li and Yue Wu Ying's deaths. After all, the dragon clan still had its uses. They could suppress the Devil Clans. Well, that was under the condition that the dragon clan no longer provoked the Seven Absolutes Sect. If the dragon clan would not cooperate, then, he would no longer be kind and annihilate the entire dragon clan.

Duan Ling Tian had boldly come alone because he had learned from Chen Yi Ru that there were no Bodiless Celestials who had cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment technique in the dragon clan. Otherwise, he would not have been so foolish to come alone. Even if the dragon clan had a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestials who had cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment technique, he would fall into a disadvantageous position. Knowing this, he had boldly announced that he would annihilate the dragon clan if they did not hand over the culprit who killed Gu Li and Yue Wu Ying!

Duan Ling Tian thought to himself, 'Anyway, it doesn't matter even if they have Bodiless Celestials who cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment technique. If I summon Ke'er over, and with my current strength, even if they have a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial who cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment technique, there's no need for me to be afraid at all.'

Duan Ling Tian felt reassured when he thought about Ke'er. 'With Ke'er's strength that's comparable to a Golden Celestial in a Devata Realm and her soul that's also similar to an ordinary Golden Celestial, it should be easy for her to counter the attack from a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial who has cultivated the Soul Congregation Embodiment technique.'

Before entering the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, Duan Ling Tian did not expect that a day would come when he could rely on Ke'er. Her strength had also raised his confidence.

Duan Ling Tian continued thinking to himself, 'If the dragon clan doesn't accede to my request, I'll just annihilate them. With Ke'er and my strength, even if the dragon clan ceases to exist, there's no need for us to fear the Devil Clans from the Land of Exile!' His eyes shone brightly as he thought about this.

The breeze was soft and fresh up in the sky above the dragon clan's estate where Duan Ling Tian was hovering.

On the contrary, it was total pandemonium in the dragon clan at this moment.

"Annihilate the dragon clan... Someone actually said he wants to annihilate our dragon clan?"

"In the long history of our dragon clan, I don't think there's anyone who dared to say they want to annihilate our clan. Is the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect trying to cause chaos here?"

Someone scoffed. "Since the Devil Clans have invaded our Upper Province, there isn't any news of Duan Ling Tian over the past few years already... As soon as he reappears, not only did he appear in our dragon clan, he also threatens to annihilate us if we don't hand over the culprit. How audacious!"

"I think our patriarch, the Supreme Elder, and the others must have already heard Duan Ling Tian's words, right?"

Another person snorted. "If our patriarch and Supreme Elders appear, Duan Ling Tian would surely die!"

Similar discussion could be heard everywhere in the dragon clan's estate. All the members of the dragon clan did not take Duan Ling Tian seriously. They were confident he was not strong enough to annihilate the dragon clan. In their opinion, him coming here was akin to committing suicide.

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Somewhere in the dragon clan estate.

"I was the one who killed Gu Li... However, I was merely obeying the order of Supreme Elder, Elder Di Huan. Based on Duan Ling Tian's words, he wants us to hand over Supreme Elder Di Huan to him?" A middle-aged man muttered disdainfully. When he heard Duan Ling Tian's words, he was sitting cross-legged, cultivating.

"He wants us to hand over Elder Di Huan to him? How preposterous!"

"Even if we hand over Elder Di Huan to him, is he even a match for Elder Di Huan? Would he even be able to avenge the members of Seven Absolutes Sect?"

The two dragon clan's members who received orders from Di Huan's order to kill Yue Wu Ying and Han Xue Nai's master smiled contemptuously. Their words dripped with disdain when they spoke.

Di Huan, the Supreme Elder of the dragon clan, was also Di Chen's father. Di Chen had failed his tribulation due to his obsession with Duan Ling Tian.

At that time, Duan Ling Tian had forced Di Huan to kneel and beg for forgiveness. This created a knot in Di Huan's heart, causing him to fail his tribulation. For this reason, Di Chen's father, Di Huan, regarded Duan Ling Tian as his arch-enemy. Di Huan hated Duan Ling Tian so much that he wanted to tear him into a million pieces before burning him into ashes.

When Di Huan learned that Duan Ling Tian was the current Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect, he turned his hatred to Seven Absolutes Sect and its member, killing those he encountered.

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In a wide valley in the dragon clan's estate.

Bang!

A loud explosion sounded as the calmness of a lake shattered. The water splashed far and wide, making an extremely dazzling sight.

Swoosh!

A figure shot out from the lake and headed toward the horizon as swift as a cannon that had been shot out. After a while, a figure appeared above the valley.

All the Bodiless Celestials in the dragon clan instantly recognized the figure. It was none other than Di Huan, one of the three Supreme Elders in the dragon clan. He was a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

Di Huan who had been peacefully cultivating in the lake was extremely excited when he heard Duan Ling Tian's voice. He laughed as he said, "Duan Ling Tian, I can't believe you came to the dragon clan's estate on your own accord! Very good! Very good!"

During the past few years, Di Huan had never stopped searching for Duan Ling Tian even after the Devil Clans invaded the Upper Province. His top priority was to seek revenge for his son. This had also caused a knot to form in his heart, becoming an obsession. If Duan Ling Tian did not die, it was highly likely that he would not be able to pass his eighth Bodiless Celestial Tribulation as well.

For this reason, Di Huan did not care about the Devil Clans invading the Upper Province. The Devil Clans' invasion and killing humans had nothing to do with him. He only wanted to search for Duan Ling Tian to kill him. He would be able to avenge his son, and at the same time, he could remove the knot and obsession in his heart. His personal matter was of utmost priority. He would only kill the devils if they

were standing before him and intending to kill him. Even if the patriarch sent him out to deal with the devils, he would only do so out of obligation.

Now that Duan Ling Tian had come, how could he not feel excited? Even if he was cultivating, it did not matter.

Di Huan's eyes darkened as his expression turned disdainful as he said, "Annihilate the dragon clan? I'd like to see you eat your words. I wonder where you got your courage from."

Bang!

A loud explosion rang in the air as Di Huang moved, leaving cracks like spider webs in the void.

Swoosh!

In just a blink of an eye, Di Huan had risen into the sky as wind blew violently. He flew to the source of the voice. As he flew, he bellowed, "Duan Ling Tian! I, Di Huan, am the one who ordered my men to kill the members of your Seven Absolutes Sect. I want to see where a brat like you got your courage from for being so delusional to think you can annihilate the dragon clan! As the Supreme Elder of the dragon clan, I'll kill you today so the world knows that they can't trample on the dragon clan's pride and dignity!" His voice spread through to the entire dragon clan's estate.

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Another commotion erupted as soon as Di Huan spoke.

"It's Elder Di Huan!"

"Elder Di Huan is coming out!"

"Let's go! Let's go see what's going on... Since Duan Ling Tian audaciously announced he would annihilate the dragon clan, I want to see how many moves he'll be able to receive from Elder Di Huan before he dies!"

Someone scoffed. "Not only is Elder Di Huan a Supreme Elder of our dragon clan, but he's also a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. I'm afraid Duan Ling Tian won't even be able to withstand a strike from Elder Di Huan."

"I agree."

The members who were enraged by Duan Ling Tian's words became excited when they heard Di Huan's voice that resonated in the entire dragon clan's estate.

2485 How is that Possible?

The members of the dragon clan were under the impression that Duan Ling Tian was still similar to how he was a few years ago. At that time, they found out his strength was comparable to Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. Therefore, although Duan Ling Tian had disappeared for a few years, they assumed he was still as strong as a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. None of them believed Duan Ling Tian was a match for Di Huan.

However, there were a few members of the dragon clan who were much calmer and thought through the situation carefully.

"A few years ago, Duan Ling Tian was suspected to have strength comparable to Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial... During that time, he had completely disappeared. He must have been in closed-door cultivation. It's likely that he has gotten stronger!"

"Since he has boldly come to the dragon clan's estate and threatened to annihilate the dragon clan if the clan doesn't accede to his request, he's either really or confident or he's just seeking death!"

"As the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect and the current successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, the first Absolute, do you really think he would recklessly seek death?"

These minority of people had thought a lot about this and analyzed this. Unfortunately, there were too few of them. Their voices were drowned out by the majority of people who were filled with confidence in Di Huan.

Elder Di Huan appeared with a gust of violent wind above the dragon clan's estate. When he saw the purple-clad young man nearby, his eyes narrowed as he bellowed, "Duan Ling Tian!" A hint of excitement could be heard in his voice.

Although this was the first time Di Huan met Duan Ling Tian, he had long memorized Duan Ling Tian's appearance from the portrait he had seen. Even if Duan Ling Tian changed his face, Di Huan was certain he would recognize his physique. How could he not recognize Duan Ling Tian who was currently not in disguise?

In just a flash, Di Huan appeared before Duan Ling Tian. He stared at Duan Ling Tian coldly as flames fury burned in the depths of his eyes.

"Di Huan?" Duan Ling Tian looked at Di Huan intently as soon as Di Huan arrived. His expression was extremely frosty at this moment. It was not difficult for him to figure out that the person who had just appeared was Di Huan, the father of Di Chen, and the culprit responsible for the deaths of Gu Li, Yue Wu Ying, and Han Xue Nai's master. Rage not dissimilar to a tempestuous storm rose in his heart immediately when he confirmed the person before him was Di Huan.

At this moment, a battle would happen at any time.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

The sound of wind howling in the air reverberated loudly as more and more people appeared around Duan Ling Tian and Di Huan. It did not take long before more than 100 people were present. These people had, naturally, come to watch the show. As soon as they arrived, the first thing they did was to greet Di Huan before they stood aside, intending to watch the show.

"It's my pleasure to meet you, Supreme Elder!"

"Greetings, Elder Di Huan!"

The onlookers began to discuss among themselves.

"So he's Duan Ling Tian? The Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect?"

"It's him! Although I haven't seen him in person, I've seen his portrait!"

"So this is the person who threatened to annihilate the dragon clan if we don't hand over the culprit responsible for his sect members' deaths?"

"Well, Elder Di Huan has already admitted he's the culprit. I want to see what this person will be able to do to Elder Di Huan!"

Someone said disdainfully, "I think he didn't know the culprit responsible for the deaths of his sect members is our Supreme Elder Di Huan!"

Most of the members in the dragon clan looked at Duan Ling Tian as though he was a dead man walking.

Duan Ling Tian, naturally, noticed the contemptuous looks in the dragon clan's members' eyes, but he was not bothered by it. He looked at Di Huan emotionlessly. He asked icily, "So you're the one who ordered your men to kill the members of my Seven Absolutes Sect?" Although his tone seemed indifferent, his killing intent was palpable.

"So what if I did?" Di Huan smirked, clearly not frightened.

"What enmity did they have with you or the dragon clan?" Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes that were flashing coldly.

"They don't have any enmity with the dragon clan and me. However, it's just unfortunate that they were from the Seven Absolutes Sect. Duan Ling Tian, you humiliated my son, causing him to be obsessed with the matter. For that reason, he failed his tribulation. I want to kill you, but I couldn't find you at that time. I can only vent my anger on your people! Rather than saying I killed them, it's more appropriate to say that you killed them." A sneer could be seen on Di Huan's face when he spoke.

"Then, do you know why I humiliated your son?" As Duan Ling Tian spoke, energy surged out of his body, forming numerous whirlpools around him that absorbed all the Heaven and Spirit Energy in the surroundings. Then, the energy in his body surged, making him look as though he was shrouded by flames. Needless to say, he had cast his assist-type Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic.

"I'm not interested," Di Huan replied coldly.

"You aren't interested? However, I must still tell you." Duan Ling Tian looked at Di Huan pointedly. "Your son thought he was stronger than me and wanted to humiliate me by asking me to kneel and beg for his forgiveness. I only gave him a taste of his own medicine." His voice was extremely cold when he spoke. He did not feel guilty for what he had done at that time. After all, he had only treated Di Chen the way Di Chen had intended to treat him. He was enraged and found it unforgivable that Di Huan vented his anger on members of the Seven Absolutes Sect.

"So what?" Di Huan smirked, his eyes flashing viciously again. "Today, you arrogantly came to our dragon clan's estate and trampled on the pride and honor of the dragon clan with your words. I will kill you today to avenge my son and to protect the pride and honor of our clan!" As soon as Di Huan finished speaking, a vast and majestic energy surged out of him. When it surged out, it instantly left cracks in the void that took a long time to close.

"The Supreme Elder is about to attack!"

"Elder Di Huan is getting serious!"

"Duan Ling Tian will surely die!"

The onlookers held their breaths in anticipation as they waited for the battle to start. Most people thought Duan Ling Tian would surely die.

"Under everyone's watchful eyes, Di Huan charged forward as he cried out, "Duan Ling Tian, die!"

As a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, Di Huan was not weak and his strength was not slow. In just a flash, he had disappeared before the eyes of the members of the dragon clan. Only a few Bodiless Celestial could vaguely catch his movements.

Regardless, even if the Bodiless Celestials thought Di Huan's speed was extremely fast, it was extremely slow to Duan Ling Tian.

"Just like an ant!" Duan Ling Tian smiled sarcastically when he saw Di Huan attacking without even knowing his own capability. He lifted his hand, revealing a sword. This was the Celestial Sword he had used when he was in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone.

"Body Sword Fusion!" At this moment, millions of sword rays shot out from the Celestial Sword.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

Even Duan Ling Tian's body was shooting out millions of sword rays before he finally transformed into a simple and unadorned sword. The sword hovered in the air, restraining its aura, looking ordinary.

In the next moment.

Under the onlookers' watchful eyes, the simple sword that Duan Ling Tian had transformed into flew toward Di Huan at a speed that was neither fast nor slow.

Xiu!

A crisp sound of a sword cry rang in the air.

Everyone present on the scene could clearly see the sword. Even those weaker members of the dragon clan could vaguely see the sword. For this reason, everyone felt this sword was extremely ordinary.

Suddenly, a member of the dragon clan who was a Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial laughed. "I thought Duan Ling Tian's Body Sword Fusion would be extraordinary. Who knew it's so ordinary!"

"He thinks he can fight Elder Di Huan?"

"How reckless!"

The Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the dragon clan wanted to continue mocking Duan Ling Tian when he suddenly stopped speaking. A horrified and incredulous expression appeared on his face at this moment. He cried out, "Heavens! How's this possible?"

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Xiu!

A short-lived sword cry rang in the air.

A few Six Tribulation Bodiless Celestials who were present on the scene widened their eyes in horror immediately.

"Have mercy!"

"Stop this!"

Two voices ladened with urgency rang out in the air in unison, accompanied by the appearances of a middle-aged man and an old man. Unfortunately, they had arrived too late.

Puff!

A soft noise reverberated in the air as Supreme Elder Di Huan, a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, who was lunging toward Duan Ling Tian was killed in just an instant.

The dragon clan's members who were present on the scene inhaled sharply when they saw this, horrified.

"H-how's this possible?"

"Elder Di Huan is a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, he's extremely strong! However, he could not even defend against Duan Ling Tian's attack?"

"A-am I dreaming? Sect Leader Duan Ling Tian from the Seven Absolutes Sect killed Elder Di Huan with just a strike!"

Most of the dragon clan's members did not see Di Huan moved. They only regained their senses when Di Huan had already died. Naturally, they were shocked. Moreover, Di Huan, one of the three Supreme Elders in the dragon clan, was the strongest after their elusive patriarch. How could they not feel shocked when they saw he was killed with just a strike? Chills ran down their spines when they thought about it.

After the sword ray pierced Di Huan's glabella, the simple and unadorned sword flashed and transformed into a tall purple-clad figure. The figure was none other than Duan Ling Tian.

Earlier, when Di Huan made the first move and attacked, Duan Ling Tian had quickly cast the assist-type Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic, and the fourth stage of the Sovereign Heart Sword, the Body Sword Fusion, before casting the Thirteen Green Lotus Swords. With all these combined, his strength was comparable to the full strength of an ordinary Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial! Since Di Huan was only a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, it was only natural that he could not defend against the attack and was instantly killed.

Duan Ling Tian stared at the horizon as he murmured, "Senior Brother Gu Li, I've avenged you..." He completely ignored the presence of the members of the dragon clan and the two powerhouses who had just arrived.

Gu Li was not only a member of the Seven Absolutes Sect, but he was also Duan Ling Tian's friend and senior brother.

Meanwhile, the two powerhouses from the dragon clan who had just arrived stood in the distance. Their expressions were unsightly, but it was obvious they had no intention of attacking Duan Ling Tian. After all, they knew they were no match for Duan Ling Tian since they were also Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials like Di Huan who had just been killed. Fear coursed through their veins when they recalled the scene earlier.

"Duan Ling Tian has gotten so strong?"

"It seems like the current Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect and the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny is as strong as Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang!"

During that time, Feng Qing Yang's strength alone was a match for the entire dragon clan. It seemed like Feng Qing Yang's successor was also as extraordinary as he was.

At this moment, many members of the dragon clan finally discovered the presence of these two powerhouses.

"It's the Supreme Elders!"

"The two Supreme Elders came as well? It seems like they tried to stop Duan Ling Tian from killing Elder Di Huan earlier."

"Stop Duan Ling Tian from killing Elder Di Huan? What a joke! Duan Ling Tian is capable of killing Elder Di Huan with a strike... Our two Supreme Elders are also Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials. It's impossible for them to stop Duan Ling Tian!"

"Based on the strength Duan Ling Tian displayed earlier, I'm afraid even if Elder Di Huan had joined forces with the two Supreme Elders, they still won't be a match for Duan Ling Tian!"

"Isn't that obvious?"

When Duan Ling Tian overheard the conversation in his surroundings, he raised an eyebrow.

"The two Supreme Elders of the dragon clan?" Then, he looked at the two powerhouses intently. When those two had arrived earlier, he knew they must have a high position in the dragon clan, but he did not expect them to be the Supreme Elders.

The two Supreme Elders were unnerved when they saw Duan Ling Tian staring at them intently as though they were afraid Duan Ling Tian would attack them as well.

Upon seeing this, Duan Ling Tian only smiled inwardly. "Well, I guess it's time for me to leave." Since he had already killed the culprit responsible for the deaths of Gu Li, Yue Wu Ying, and Han Xue Nai's master,

there was no reason for him to stay any longer. He was not worried about the dragon clan retaliating like they did before, and he was almost certain that the dragon clan would no longer dare to antagonize the Seven Absolutes Sect in the future. After all, he was very confident about his strength. Moreover, his wife, Ke'er, was strong enough to stop the dragon clan from antagonizing the sect.

At the moment Duan Ling Tian was about to lead, a loud scoff reverberated in the air, seemingly coming from all directions. The person who had scoffed spoke imperiously, "You're planning to leave after killing my clan's Supreme Elder? You're Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect? Do you really think there's no one in the dragon clan who can defeat you?"

The two Supreme Elders of the dragon clan turned around and looked in the distance. They quickly bowed respectfully. "Lord Patriarch!"

Upon hearing this, the dragon clan's members were taken aback. They followed the two Supreme Elders' eyes and quickly bowed as well.

"Lord Patriarch?"

"Greetings, Lord Patriarch!"

"Greetings, Lord Patriarch!"

The strongest person in the dragon clan was the inner clan's patriarch.

A dragon clan's member thought to himself excitedly, 'The Lord Patriarch has always been mysterious. I've never met him before. I really didn't expect I'd be able to meet him today due to the commotion Duan Ling Tian caused.' After all, he revered the inner clan's patriarch as though the patriarch was God himself.

The other members of the dragon clan were also looking at the distance with an expression of anticipation on their faces.

Whoosh!

A gust of wind began to blow as a figure appeared in the distance. The figure belonged to a tall old man. His face was square with strong features. His eyebrows lent him an imposing aura, and he wore a golden robe. With just a glance, one could tell he was someone who had been at the top of the food chain for a long time. At this moment, the golden-clad old man's eyes were trained on Duan Ling Tian.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian who was about to leave came to halt immediately as soon as he heard the old man's voice. He was not anxious at all. He fearlessly met the old man's gaze. After a while, he said, "The world thinks the patriarch of the dragon clan is an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. I bet they wouldn't expect you to be a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!"

Upon hearing Duan Ling Tian's words, the dragon clan's patriarch was taken aback. "You can tell that I'm a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?" With an expression of surprise etched on his face, he had lost some of his imposing aura.

Duan Ling Tian could not help but feel smug upon hearing the dragon clan's patriarch's words. Before entering the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, he definitely would not be able to see through the old man's

cultivation base. However, after meeting a few Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, he had gotten familiar with the unique aura of a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

Duan Ling Tian's words and the golden-clad old man's confirmation shocked all the members of the dragon clan, except for the two Supreme Elders.

"N-nine... Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?"

2487 The Patriarch of the Dragon Clan Attacks

The dragon clan's members were amazed upon discovering the existence of a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in their clan. Previously, all of them thought their patriarch was only an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. This was truly unexpected.

"Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? Lord Patriarch is a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?"

"Lord Patriarch is truly a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?"

"Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial! That's the strongest existence in the mundane realms. They are extremely rare. To think there's a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in our dragon clan!"

"Incredible! Truly incredible!"

"Who could have known?"

"To think the patriarch is a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!"

"I... I'm not dreaming, am I? Now that the Devil Clans have invaded the Upper Province, if our patriarch makes a move, won't the Devil Clans retreat with their tails between their legs to the Land of Exile?"

"I agree. Based on how rare Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials are, I honestly think it's unlikely for the Devil Clans to have a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial as well."

Many members of the dragon clan eagerly anticipated watching their patriarch driving the Devil Clans back to the Land of Exile. At that time, the patriarch of the dragon clan and the clan would be revered as the savior of the Saint Province Realm! They felt their emotion stirred when they thought about this. After all, they had all dreamed of becoming heroes in this time of crisis. Although they would only be basking in the glory of their patriarch, they still felt excited.

On the other hand, among the members of the dragon clan, only the two Supreme Elders maintained their composure at this reveal. After all, as the Supreme Elders of the dragon clan and Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestials, there were many instances where they had met the patriarch. They were, naturally, privy to a lot of matters. They, including Di Huan who had just been killed, had long known about their patriarch's cultivation base.

Upon seeing the expression of surprise on the patriarch's face, Duan Ling Tian asked indifferently, "Is it strange that I'm able to tell you're a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?"

"Is it not strange?" The dragon clan's patriarch narrowed his eyes that were flashing coldly. "Not only are you able to discern my cultivation base, but you, a mere Eminent Celestial, managed to kill my clan's

Supreme Elder who was a Seven Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!" His gaze turned pointed after he finished speaking.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian remained calm even when he saw the dragon clan's patriarch's cold gaze.

At this time, the members of the dragon clan, including the two Supreme Elders, were baffled after listening to their patriarch's words. They could vaguely sense that Duan Ling Tian, the successor of the Fog Rain Progeny, was a genius.

"That's right. Duan Ling Tian's only an Eminent Celestial, how did he manage to discern our patriarch's cultivation base?"

"Normally, an Eminent Celestial's Divine Consciousness can't even compare to that of a Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, and Three Tribulation Bodiless Celestials are definitely not capable of discerning the cultivation base of a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. How did Duan Ling Tian do it?

"Duan Ling Tian is, indeed, strange. Are all the members of the Seven Absolutes Sect so strange?"

Upon hearing the dragon clan's patriarch's words, Duan Ling Tian nodded as he said, "Well, when you put it that way, it does sound strange." He paused momentarily for dramatic effects before he said, "So, what are you going to do? Are you going to throw your life away to avenge Di Huan? Or are you going to publicly make an announcement that the dragon clan will no longer antagonize the Seven Absolutes Sect?"

As Duan Ling Tian spoke, the dragon clan's members' expressions changed drastically. What did Duan Ling Tian mean when he said their patriarch would be throwing his life away if their patriarch tried to avenge Di Huan? Not only that, but he even had the audacity to demand their patriarch to announce that the dragon clan would no longer antagonize the Seven Absolutes Sect! Did Duan Ling Tian think he was like the Celestials in the Devata Realms who were stronger than a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?

'He's insane! Duan Ling Tian is out of his mind!'

'The patriarch is a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, the strongest existence in the mundane realms. Where did he get his courage from, to speak in such a manner?'

'Does he think he's invincible just because he managed to kill Elder Di Huan?'

Although most of the members from the dragon clan, including the two Supreme Elders, acknowledged Duan Ling Tian's strength since he had easily killed their Supreme Elder, Di Huan, they did not think he was stronger than their patriarch. Their patriarch was a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial, the strongest existence in the mundane realms, who could threaten such an existence?

Meanwhile, the expression of the dragon clan's patriarch darkened when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. Although he had lived for 10,000 years, he could not suppress his rage at all. "Duan Ling Tian! I'll kill you today to avenge Di Huan. I like to see how you, an Eminent Celestial, are going to kill a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial like me!"

The patriarch's voice had barely faded away when a vast energy surged out from his body, leaving terrifying tears in the void. The tears looked like dragons flying in the air.

The members of the dragon clan, including the two Supreme Elders, were in awe of their patriarch's display of strength. None of them had seen a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in action before. Some of the members from the dragon clan with a weaker cultivation base were sent flying by the shockwave from the energy that surged out their patriarch. They could only watch from the distance as he prepared to attack Duan Ling Tian.

"T-this... This is the power of a Nine Tribulations Bodiless Celestial?"

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes when he saw the energy surging out of the body of the dragon clan's patriarch. "It seems like you intend on fighting me." As soon as he finished speaking, his Celestial Sword appeared in his hand. It shone dazzlingly when he sent his energy into it.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

As the sword rays flowed and ebbed, the sounds of sword whistling in the air rang clearly and deafeningly.

Upon seeing the Celestial Sword, the patriarch's eyes gleamed greedily and his breathing hitched from the excitement. It was obvious he could not wait to claim the Celestial Sword as his own. "As expected of the legendary Celestial Supreme Treasure!"

When Duan Ling Tian saw the covetous look in the dragon clan's patriarch's eyes, he chuckled. "What? Did you take a liking to my Celestial Sword? Well, if you want it, all you have to do is kill me!"

The dragon clan's patriarch scoffed. "There's no need for you to remind me to kill you. I'll avenge Di Huan and snatch your Celestial Supreme Treasure today!"

Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes, his smile had vanished completely. "I'm waiting for you."

Boom!

As soon as Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, the patriarch of the dragon clan made a move immediately. The void in his vicinity seemed to have caved in as the tears that looked like dragons continued to appear in the void.

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"Since you want to die, Duan Ling Tian, I shall fulfill your wish!" The patriarch of the dragon clan bellowed as he charged forward like a tornado toward Duan Ling Tian.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

The moment the patriarch of the dragon clan shot toward Duan Ling Tian, Duan Ling Tian's Celestial Sword flew out of his hand as well, emitting sword rays that seemed like clones of the sword. The sword rays grew from one to ten, ten to 100, and 100 to 1,000... It did not take long before the sword rays rose above Duan Ling Tian's head, forming a mysterious Formation that emitted a mystical aura. In the end, the sword rays formed a defensive layer before him.

Faced with the patriarch of the dragon clan, Duan Ling Tian did not hesitate to cast the Thirteen Green Lotus Swords as well. "Thirteen Green Lotus Swords!"

Boom!

A thunderous noise resounded in the air as the patriarch of the dragon clan collided with the sword barrier before attacking it.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

The sword ray barrier shook from the impact, creating a shockwave that spread in all directions.

At this time, only the two Supreme Elders of the dragon clan managed to stabilize their footing. The remaining members of the dragon clan were sent flying by the shockwave. Those who were stronger only stumbled a few steps back, but those who were weaker were sent flying quite a distance away. All of them took a long time to recover their senses.

"Impossible!" The patriarch's voice boomed thunderously, causing fear to rise in the hearts of the members of the dragon clan.

When they turned to look at their patriarch, they discovered that their patriarch's attack did not breach Duan Ling Tian's barrier at all. The barrier had only become dimmer. However, it did not take long before it began to shine brightly again. Based on this, they could tell the barrier had returned to its peak condition. Their eyes widened in disbelief when they saw this.

"This... this..."

"Lord Patriarch... couldn't breach Duan Ling Tian's defense?"

"Is this a joke? The patriarch is a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial for goodness sake!"

"D-does this mean that Duan Ling Tian is stronger than Lord Patriarch?"

"If he's stronger, then, it makes sense how he's able to discern Lord Patriarch's cultivation base. That's also probably why he's so calm when faced with a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial!"

"An Eminent Celestial who's stronger than a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? Then, Duan Ling Tian's strength is on par with Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang's strength?"

The members of the dragon clan could tell Duan Ling Tian's strength was not inferior to Feng Qing Yang 100,000 years ago! Back then, Feng Qing Yang was also an Eminent Celestial who was capable of killing Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestials and possessed strength comparable to a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial.

"How are you so strong? You're just an Eminent Celestial!" The patriarch of the dragon clan stared at Duan Ling Tian in disbelief. There was even a slight hint of awe that could be seen on his face. The patriarch of the dragon clan muttered to himself, "Even Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang wasn't this strong before he ascended to a Devata Realm. He had only become strong after he had a fortuitous encounter in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone."

Duan Ling Tian was slightly taken aback when he heard the dragon clan's patriarch's words. He did not expect the patriarch to know about the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone. "You know about the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone as well?"

"Why wouldn't I know about it?" The patriarch of the dragon clan said in a low voice, "Many years ago, when Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang from the Seven Absolutes Sect entered the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone, many of our ancestors from the dragon clan and the phoenix clan entered the secret zone as well. However, Feng Qing Yang was the only one who made it out alive from the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone." A hint of trepidation could be heard in his voice when he spoke.

Duan Ling Tian said nonchalantly, "Then, I guess there's no harm telling you that the reason there's no news of me in these past few years is due to me being in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone."

"What?!" The patriarch of the dragon clan's eyes widened in shock. After a while, he nodded as though he was hit with a pang of realization. "I see, I see... Everything makes sense now. No wonder you possess strength comparable to a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial. You must have a fortuitous encounter in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone as well. If I'm not mistaken, you must have found your Celestial Supreme Treasure in there as well, right?" He looked at Duan Ling Tian's Celestial Sword covetously. Greed was apparent in his eyes.

"That's right." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

At this moment, the two Supreme Elders who also knew about the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone were enlightened as well.

"As it turns out, Duan Ling Tian had a fortuitous encounter in the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone as well."

On the contrary, the other members of the dragon clan were puzzled. It was their first time hearing about the Beyond Heaven Secret Zone.

"Beyond Heaven Secret Zone?"

"What's that?"

While the members of the dragon clan were caught up in their discussion, the patriarch of the dragon clan did not waste any time. He let out a deafening roar as he moved again, causing the others to stop their discussion immediately.

Under everyone's watchful eyes, a blinding light burst out from the patriarch's body. When the light finally faded away, everyone saw that he had reverted to his true form. He was a golden divine dragon that was 10,000 meters long. At this moment, he had covered most of the sky and the sun.

"Eight-clawed Golden Dragon?" Duan Ling Tian quickly discovered the eight claws on each of the patriarch's paws. Not only was the patriarch an Eight-clawed Divine Dragon, but he was an Eight-clawed Golden Dragon!

The patriarch who had transformed into an Eight-clawed Golden Dragon roared. "Duan Ling Tian, I'd like to see if you can withstand the full force of my attack!" His voice resounded like a tolling bell, it was deafening.

In the next moment, under everyone's watchful eyes, the patriarch's colossal body seemed to vanish into thin air. Duan Ling Tian was the only one who was able to capture the patriarch's movement.

The patriarch moved with lightning speed. He seemed to have turned into a thick golden whip as he charged toward Duan Ling Tian, leaving tears in the void in his wake. He moved aggressively, clearly intending to kill Duan Ling Tian as soon as he could.

Upon seeing this, Duan Ling Tian commanded his sword, "Go!"

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

The sword flew out with a whistle, and the sword formation also seemed to have morphed into a divine dragon as it flew out to intercept the patriarch's attack.

Bang!

A blinding light appeared as a result of the collision, causing everyone present to squint.

Bang!

Another explosion rang in the air.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

Shortly after, another series of explosions reverberated in the air again.

When the light faded away, the members of the dragon clan saw Duan Ling Tian stumbling a few steps back. After he steadied himself with much difficulty, he spat out a mouthful of blood. Their eyes brightened instantly!

"So Lord Patriarch is stronger!"

Unfortunately, a wretched cry rang in the air soon after.

The members of the dragon clan discovered that their patriarch had returned to his human form. He was standing further away as he spat out a mouthful of blood as well. He looked worse for wear.

"Lord Patriarch is injured as well?"

"Then, this means neither side has won?!"

It did not take long for the members of the dragon clan to figure this out. After all, their patriarch could not defeat Duan Ling Tian even after he had reverted to his true form, an Eight-clawed Golden Dragon.

After the patriarch of the dragon clan caught his breath, he said in a deep voice, "Duan Ling Tian, although I can't kill you, you can't kill me as well. You better give me a satisfactory explanation or compensation for killing a Supreme Elder of my clan. Otherwise, I'll turn over the entire Saint Province Realm just to annihilate the Seven Absolutes Sect after you ascend to a Devata Realm!"

"Oh?" Upon hearing the patriarch's words, Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes. He suppressed his anger with great difficulty as he asked, "I'd like to know what kind of explanation or compensation you want..."

"I'll disregard the enmity between the Seven Absolutes Sect and the dragon clan if you leave your Celestial Supreme Treasure behind!!" The patriarch said as his eyes flashed greedily.

"So, you want my Celestial Sword..." Duan Ling Tian said knowingly, "Since you want it so badly, I'll give it to you!" As soon as he finished speaking, he threw the Celestial Sword over to the patriarch as though he was tossing out trash.

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"Huh? This..." The patriarch of the dragon clan was taken aback. He did not expect Duan Ling Tian would surrender the Celestial Supreme Treasure so easily without putting up a fight. This caused him to feel skeptical.

The patriarch of the dragon clan had threatened Duan Ling Tian in such a way because he believed Duan Ling Tian would ascend to a Devata Realm before him. Once Duan Ling Tian had ascended, the Seven Absolutes Sect would lose its backbone. At that time, the sect would be like a fish on a chopping board to him. Although he knew the threat would be effective, he truly did not expect Duan Ling Tian to give in to his demand so easily. He was in a daze over this development. After a while, he finally said, "Duan Ling Tian, I didn't take you to be such a sensible person." A mocking smile appeared on his face as he gripped the Celestial Sword that Duan Ling Tian had tossed over. "However, didn't it cross your mind that without the Celestial Supreme Treasure, your strength is now greatly reduced? Currently, your strength is probably on par with an Eight Tribulation Bodiless Celestial at most."

Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes as soon as he heard the words of the patriarch of the dragon clan. "What? Is the patriarch of the dragon clan going to go back on his words? You're going to attack me after I've given you the Celestial Supreme Treasure?"

"You're clever!" The patriarch's eyes gleamed viciously as he said, "It would spell disaster for the dragon clan if I spare your life. You must die today. You can only blame yourself for being naive. You should've made me swear on the lightning penalty oath before surrendering the Celestial Sword. You cut off your own path of retreat so you can't blame me for this." His voice was laden with killing intent when he spoke.

When the patriarch of the dragon clan finished talking, many of the members of the dragon clan burst into laughter.

"Duan Ling Tian has brought about his own destruction!"

"To think the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect would be so careless. He actually surrendered the Celestial Supreme Treasure without making the patriarch swear on the lightning penalty oath."

"Is this really okay? I mean, Lord Patriarch did promise to let the matter go as long as Duan Ling Tian surrenders the Celestial Supreme Treasure."

There were some members of the dragon clan who found their patriarch's action inappropriate. They frowned in disapproval when they saw the patriarch going back on his words.

Someone said with a snicker, "Well, Lord Patriarch said that he wouldn't annihilate the Seven Absolutes Sect if he hands the Celestial Sword over. Lord Patriarch didn't say anything about not killing Duan Ling Tian!"

"Well... You're right."

"I guess the patriarch didn't go back on his words."

"Yes, as long as Lord Patriarch doesn't annihilate the Seven Absolutes Sect, he wouldn't be going back on his words."

After discussing it among themselves, all of the members of the dragon clan were convinced their patriarch did not go back on his words. They only felt that Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect, was too foolish and naive for not making their patriarch swear on the lightning penalty oath. They felt that Duan Ling Tian had caused his own downfall and only had himself to blame.

At this moment, the members of the dragon clan looked at Duan Ling Tian as though he was a dead man walking. They did not think Duan Ling Tian would survive without his Celestial Supreme Treasure. After all, they knew a Celestial Supreme Treasure could raise one's strength tremendously.

"Now that Duan Ling Tian has lost the Celestial Supreme Treasure, he's definitely not as strong as a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial... Even without using the Celestial Supreme Treasure, I'm certain it would be easy for Lord Patriarch to kill Duan Ling Tian now."

"You're right. They were evenly matched earlier. However, now that Duan Ling Tian has lost the Celestial Supreme Treasure, he's certainly not a match for Lord Patriarch."

"It seems like the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect will fall in our dragon clan today!"

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian asked calmly, "So are you going to kill me now?" Even now, he showed no signs of being anxious.

"Of course!" The patriarch said with certainty, "You can only blame yourself for being too stupid for not making me swear on the lightning penalty oath after obtaining the Celestial Supreme Treasure." Although he was slightly puzzled by Duan Ling Tian's calmness, he did not think too much into it. After all, he was convinced that Duan Ling Tian was not a threat without the Celestial Supreme Treasure. In his opinion, Duan Ling Tian was completely at his mercy like a fish on a chopping board.

Duan Ling Tian continued to ask nonchalantly, "Well, will you keep your promise of leaving the Seven Absolutes Sect alone?"

The patriarch of the dragon clan was stunned when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. He did not expect Duan Ling Tian would still think about his sect members even when he was on the brink of death. He said, "You can rest assured that I'll keep my promise. Since you surrendered the Celestial Supreme Treasure, I won't harm the Seven Absolutes Sect."

Upon hearing this, the members from the dragon clan who were more righteous sighed in relief. They were genuinely worried their patriarch would go back on his words and attack the Seven Absolutes Sect.

"Good... Very good." A brilliant smile appeared on Duan Ling Tian's face as soon as he heard the patriarch's words. "Because of these words, I'll leave the dragon clan alone after you die."

As soon as Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, the entire place fell silent. His words were just too shocking. It took a while before the crowd broke into an uproar.

"Has Duan Ling Tian gone mad?"

"What nonsense is he spouting? He has already surrendered the Celestial Supreme Treasure, does he still think he has a chance to kill Lord Patriarch?"

"Even before he surrendered his Celestial Supreme Treasure, he was only evenly matched with the patriarch. Now that he has lost his treasure, how could he speak so audaciously? Is he mad?"

"I really wonder where he gets his courage from?"

All of the members of the dragon clan thought Duan Ling Tian was delusional.

Meanwhile, the patriarch of the dragon clan laughed when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. It took a while before his laughter finally subsided. He said scornfully, "Duan Ling Tian! I don't know where you get your courage from, to say something like this even after losing your Celestial Supreme Treasure. After I die you'll leave the dragon clan alone? I'd like to see how you're going to kill me without a Celestial Supreme Treasure."

"Without a Celestial Supreme Treasure?" Duan Ling Tian smiled sardonically when he heard the patriarch's words and saw the mocking looks from the members of the dragon clan. He raised his arm as another sword appeared in his hand. The sword burst into a blinding light as soon as he sent his energy into it.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

As the sword rays ebbed and flowed, waves of powerful energy spread outward. The energy was comparable to the energy Duan Ling Tian had unleashed earlier with the Celestial Sword.

The members of the dragon clan felt the energy, and their expressions changed drastically. Even the patriarch's expression was frozen.

"What's this?"

"A...another Celestial Supreme Treasure?"

The two Supreme Elders exchanged a glance and saw the incredulity and awe in each other's eyes. They did not expect that Duan Ling Tian would possess another Celestial Supreme Treasure! Why did it seem like Celestial Supreme Treasures were worthless?

"That's a... Celestial Supreme Treasure?"

"I... I think so."

"Good heavens! How many Celestial Supreme Treasures does Duan Ling Tian own?"

"Is that a legendary Celestial Supreme Treasure? Since when have Celestial Supreme Treasures become so abundant and worthless?"

The members of the dragon clan were shocked when they saw Duan Ling Tian producing another Celestial Supreme Treasure. They did not imagine this would happen even in their wildest dreams.

At this moment, the patriarch from the dragon clan finally recovered from the shock of seeing Duan Ling Tian producing another Celestial Supreme Treasure. "I didn't expect you to have a second Celestial Supreme Treasure, Duan Ling Tian." However, he did not seem frightened. In fact, a look of greed could be seen in his eyes again. "However, do you think you'll be able to kill me just because you have a Celestial Supreme Treasure? Don't forget, I have one as well now. We were evenly matched earlier because I didn't have a Celestial Supreme Treasure. Now that I have one, it won't be difficult for me to kill you! Today will be the day you offer up Celestial Supreme Treasures to the dragon clan!" His voice was filled with confidence when he spoke.

Upon hearing this, the two Supreme Elders' eyes brightened and their breathing quickened. If the dragon clan obtained another Celestial Supreme Treasure, there was no doubt one of them would be given the Celestial Supreme Treasure.

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They did not doubt their patriarch's ability to snatch the second Celestial Supreme Treasure away from Duan Ling Tian. It was just as their patriarch had said, now that their patriarch possessed a Celestial Supreme Treasure as well, it would not be difficult for him to kill Duan Ling Tian who possessed another Celestial Supreme Treasure.

Earlier, the patriarch of the dragon clan did not have a Celestial Supreme Treasure, and yet, he had fought to a draw with Duan Ling Tian who had a Celestial Supreme Treasure. Surely now that he had a Celestial Supreme Treasure, he would be able to defeat Duan Ling Tian easily?

"Giving Celestial Supreme Treasures to the dragon clan?" Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes when he heard the patriarch's words. His eyes flashed coldly as he said, "I'd like to see you try."

"I'll do just that!" The patriarch cried out as he sent his energy into the Celestial Sword and began to attack Duan Ling Tian without holding back. He intended to kill Duan Ling Tian with a single blow. He did not want to give Duan Ling Tian any chance to recover.

The patriarch was skilled in swordplay. He wielded the Celestial Sword skillfully and unleashed an attack that was comparable to the strength of a Golden Celestial.

A sword ray shot toward Duan Ling Tian from the west, seemingly capable of destroying everything in its path.

"Ten Thousand Soldiers Surrender!" Duan Ling Tian cried out. Faced with the patriarch's attempt to kill him, he had mobilized his energy and conjured a Sword Formation above his head. Soon after, a mysterious energy spread from the Sword Formation in all directions.

When the energy shrouded the patriarch of the dragon clan, he was frightened when he discovered the Celestial Sword was no longer under his control. The sword sent a shock up his arm and injured him before it flew toward the Sword Formation above Duan Ling Tian's head. It did not take long before it

became part of the Formation. That was not all. The members of the dragon clan who carried their weapons with them lost their weapons as well. Their weapons seemed to have a mind of their own as they flew toward the Sword Formation before merging with it. The members of the dragon clan were, naturally, flustered by this.

"What... what's happening?"

"W-what kind of technique is this? How did he snatch our weapons away?"

"Even the patriarch's Celestial Supreme Treasure has been snatched away?!" The two Supreme Elders from the dragon clan discovered the Celestial Supreme Treasure that was in their patriarch's hand earlier had also been taken away.

The patriarch of the dragon clan froze on the spot, stunned. A frightened and bewildered expression could be seen on his face as he stared at the Formation above Duan Ling Tian's head. To be precise, he was staring at the Celestial Sword that had broken away from his grip just a moment ago.

"This... This is Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang's technique, the Ten Thousand Soldiers Surrender!" As the patriarch of the dragon clan, he was well aware of what happened 100,000 years ago. He knew that Sword Saint Feng Qing Yang had a skill that could help him gain control over all weapons in a certain area.

Although the patriarch of the dragon clan knew Feng Qing Yang had such a technique in his arsenal, he did not expect it to work on Supreme Celestial Treasures. 'This skill can also gain control over Celestial Supreme Treasures? No wonder Duan Ling Tian confidently surrendered the Celestial Supreme Treasure to me earlier. I'm certain he has foreseen all this from the get-go. He knew it would be futile even if I had the Celestial Supreme Treasure!' He was not stupid, it did not take long before realization dawned on him. For a moment, flames of fury burned in his chest. Duan Ling Tian had made a fool out of him!

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian cried out, "Have a taste of my Sword Formation!"

The patriarch of the dragon shuddered in fear. He quickly reverted to his true form and unleashed all his strength again as he collided directly with Duan Ling Tian's Sword Formation.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

History repeated itself.

However, there were two Celestial Supreme Treasures in Duan Ling Tian's Sword Formation. Although the powers of the two treasures could not be stacked, his attack was still greater than before. For this reason, Duan Ling Tian only suffered minor injuries while the patriarch of the dragon clan was heavily injured. Although he managed to deal a heavy blow on the patriarch of the dragon clan, as an Eight-clawed Golden Dragon, the patriarch's regenerative ability was superior compared to him. When his wounds were just beginning to heal, the patriarch had already completely recovered.

"Duan Ling Tian, I admit that I might not be able to kill you today..." The patriarch's 10,000-meters-long body coiled and hovered in the air. His huge dragon eyes stared at Duan Ling Tian intently. His voice was thunderous when he spoke, "However, it's impossible for you to kill me as well! Let's compromise. If you

hand over one Celestial Supreme Treasure, the dragon clan and I will no longer be enemies of the Seven Absolutes Sect. Otherwise, I promise you that the Seven Absolutes Sect would not have a day of peace after you ascend to a Devata Realm!" It was obvious that, even at this moment, he still coveted Duan Ling Tian's Celestial Supreme Treasures.

The patriarch of the dragon clan said persuasively, "You should know, as an Eminent Celestial, you'll be forced to ascend by the Celestial Ascension Energy. On the other hand, I've just passed my ninth Bodiless Celestial Tribulation, and I've only been a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial for less than a century. I can stay in the Mundane Realm for more than nine centuries. You should think about this carefully. With only one Celestial Supreme Treasure, we can bury the hatchet." He was confident he would be able to convince Duan Ling Tian.

"You're right." Duan Ling Tian nodded. "It's indeed impossible for me to kill you..."

The patriarch of the dragon clan said hastily, "In that case, you should hand over one Celestial Supreme Treasure. It's the best for both the Seven Absolutes Sect and the dragon clan!"

"Why are you in such a hurry?" Duan Ling Tian sneered. "I've not finished my sentence. It's impossible for me to kill you... However, it's not an impossible feat for someone else to kill you!"

"Someone else?" The patriarch of the dragon clan was stunned. When he regained his senses, he said with a scoff, "Duan Ling Tian, don't try to fool me. Currently, in this mundane realm, nobody can kill me. However, you might stand a chance if you join forces with a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the Devil Clans."

Devil Clans? A Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial?

Duan Ling Tian raised an eyebrow when he heard the words from the patriarch of the dragon clan. He was slightly taken aback. 'The Devil Clans truly have a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? Aren't Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestials supposed to be rare and only a few would appear in every generation? There's already a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in the Saint Province Realm, and now, there's another one in the Devil Clans?'

The members of the dragon clan were frightened and shocked by this news as well.

"There's a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in the Devil Clans as well?"

"Is this why Lord Patriarch didn't make a move when the Devil Clans invaded the Upper Province years ago even though he's a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial? To think that there's a Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in the Devil Clans as well!"

"How unexpected!"

"If Lord Patriarch joins forces with the Sect Leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect, it's not impossible for them to kill the Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in the Devil Clans."

The members of the dragon clan discussed among themselves before they finally came to the conclusion that their patriarch should not feud with Duan Ling Tian, the Sect Leader of Seven Absolutes Sect.

Instead, they should join forces to deal with their common enemy, the Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the Devil Clans, and drive the Devil Clans away.

"If you work together with that person to kill me, you and your sect will be condemned by everyone in the Saint Province Realm!" The patriarch of the dragon clan said smugly. He was certain that it was impossible for Duan Ling Tian to collude with the Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the Devil Clans. Even if Duan Ling Tian colluded with the Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the Devil Clans and annihilated the dragon clan to keep the matter a secret, Duan Ling Tian still would not be able to stop his Minor Major Mirror Image Talisman from activating after his death. The talisman would project everything that happened to the owner of the corresponding talisman. The owner of the corresponding talisman was the phoenix clan's inner clan's patriarch! In other words, if Duan Ling Tian worked with the Devil Clans' Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial to kill him, Duan Ling Tian would not be able to keep this news under wraps. At that time, he would be condemned in this realm.

At this moment, one of the Supreme Elders of the dragon clan stepped forward. "Sect Leader Duan, our patriarch is, currently, the only Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial in this realm. If you give us one Celestial Supreme Treasure, not only will you be able to wash away the enmity between the dragon clan and the Seven Absolutes Sect, but you'll also be able to work with our patriarch and our clan to kill the Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the Devil Clans and drive them away! Isn't this a good solution?" The Supreme Elder tried to persuade Duan Ling Tian in a friendly manner.

"He's right." The other Supreme Elder stepped forward as well. "Sect Leader Duan, you'll surely be able to drive the Devil Clans away if you work together with our patriarch... At that time, your name and our patriarch's name will be etched on the fabric history! This is beneficial to you. All you have to do is surrender one of your Celestial Supreme Treasures."

The two Supreme Elders of the dragon clan worked together to persuade Duan Ling Tian.

However, Duan Ling Tian only scoffed upon hearing the two Supreme Elders' words. "I'll kill the Devil Clan's Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial and drive the Devil Clan away, but I refuse to work with the dragon clan! Moreover, there's no need for me to collude with the Nine Tribulation Bodiless Celestial from the Devil Clans to kill your patriarch!" When he spoke, he looked at the patriarch of the dragon clan coldly.