

Chapter 2891: Are You Looking for Me?

Therefore, Bai Ping, the Sect Leader of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, was aware that Li An and Ji Fan, the Old Ancestor and the Arhat of the Blissful Sect respectively, had a conflict with Duan Ling Tian, the Chief Alchemist of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect.

Considering Li An's character, he would not have hesitated to kill Duan Ling Tian if Duan Ling Tian did not come from a powerful clan in the central area!

"What do they want?" The three prominent Celestial Alchemists of the Tai Yi Celestial, Situ Ming, Yang Chong, and Yu Zhong Jing, had a grim expression on their faces. Similar to the others, they thought the men from the Blissful Sect did not come with good intentions!

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian who had mastered the triple-trait Duke Grade Divine Ability from the Profound Heaven Celestial Sect, the Eastern Purple Qi, was concentrating on comprehending the Blissful Sect's triple-trait Duke Grade Celestial Method, the Immobilization King Method. He was distracted by Li An's announcement of his arrival as well.

"Li An? Ji Fan? What are they doing here?" Duan Ling Tian was quite curious about the reason for their visit, but he was certain they were here to look for trouble.

"I won the Duke Grade Celestial Method, the Immobilization King Method, under many people's watch. Even the supreme Duke Grade Celestial Alchemist from the Alliance of Celestial Masters was a witness. I don't think they're here to snatch back the Memory Celestial Talisman that contained the Duke Grade Celestial Method. Otherwise, their reputation would be ruined. If so, why did they come?" No matter how Duan Ling Tian thought about it, he could not figure out the reason for Li An and Ji Fan's visit. He was not worried Li An would attack the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, therefore, he continued comprehending the Blissful Sect's Duke Grade Celestial Method, the Immobilization King Method. For some reason, he did not think Li An had come because of him. After all, his lie about being from the Crimson Sky's Duan clan in the central area was more than enough to intimidate Li An.

Duan Ling Tian sat on his bed crossed legged as a golden light shimmered on the surface of his body. He looked somewhat similar to a golden Buddha statue at this moment. The golden light seemed to be protecting him. He had unconsciously activated the Duke Grade Celestial Method that he had yet to completely master.

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At this moment, five figures were standing in the main hall where Bai Ping received guests of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect. Three people stood on one side while the other two people stood across them.

The three people were Bai Ping, Situ Ming, and Tie Tai He, the Sect Leader, the prominent Celestial Alchemist, and the Supreme Elder of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect respectively.

Standing across them were the two uninvited guests: Li An and Ji Fan, the Old Ancestor and the Arhat of the Blissful Sect.

Due to Li An's status and strength, Bai Ping did not dare neglect etiquette or offend him. He asked respectfully, "Senior Li An, may I know what brings you to the Tai Yi Celestial Sect today?"

Li An did not even deign to spare Bai Ping a glance as he bluntly asked, "Where's Duan Ling Tian, the Chief Celestial Alchemist of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect?"

"Master Duan? Senior Li An, did you come for Master Duan?" Bai Ping was taken aback.

Situ Ming and Tie Tai He exchanged a look. They did not expect Li An had come to visit Duan Ling Tian. Their worries disappeared immediately. After all, they were also under the impression that Duan Ling Tian had come from a powerful sect in the central area. Apart from that, Duan Ling Tian was also now widely acknowledged as the best prominent Celestial Alchemist in the Six Southeastern Regions. Therefore, it was unlikely that they had come to look for trouble with the Tai Yi Celestial Sect or Duan Ling Tian. Perhaps, Li An had come to ask for a favor from Duan Ling Tian.

Ever since the Alchemist Conference had come to an end, Sun Chao, the former prominent Celestial Alchemist who was hailed as the best prominent Celestial Alchemist in the Six Southeastern Regions, had publicly admitted his alchemy skills were inferior to Duan Ling Tian. Moreover, with Duan Ling Tian's outstanding performance during the Alchemy Conference, no one doubted it at all. In fact, recently, there were many people who had visited the Tai Yi Celestial Sect to look for Duan Ling Tian so they could ask for his help to refine pills. However, none of them had a high status like Li An.

"Senior Li An, did you come to ask Master Duan to refine pills for you?" Similarly, Bai Ping sighed in relief inwardly when he heard Li An was here to look for Duan Ling Tian.

Li An was stunned and confused by Bai Ping's words. "Ask for his help to refine pills?"

At this moment, Ji Fan who was standing next to Li An scoffed before he said with a sneer, "We're not here to ask for Duan Ling Tian to refine pills. You can either summon him here or lead us to him!"

Bai Ping frowned when he heard Ji Fan's words, if he were not wary of Li An, he would have reprimanded Ji Fan for his rudeness. The Arhat of the Blissful Sect might be the future Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect, but it did not give him the right to speak to him, the Sect Leader of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, in such a manner. As the sect leader of one of the top sects in the Six Southeastern Region, his status was on par with the Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect after all.

Meanwhile, Li An only looked at Bai Ping indifferently as he said, "Bring us to him."

"Senior Li An, why are you looking for Master Duan?" Bai Ping asked in a deep voice.

After listening to Ji Fan's words, the feeling that these men from the Blissful Sect came with ill intentions rose in his heart again. Nevertheless, he felt relieved when he recalled Duan Ling Tian came from a powerful clan in the central area.

Li An ignored Bai Ping's question. Instead, he said in a voice that seemed as cold as winter, "I don't want to repeat myself."

Sensing Li An's impatience, Bai Ping no longer dared to question him, He only said, "Please follow me, Senior Li An." Then, he proceeded to lead Li An and Ji Fan to Duan Ling Tian.

Currently, Bai Ping was still under the impression that Duan Ling Tian was from a powerful clan in the central area. Therefore, he did not think Li An would dare to harm Duan Ling Tian.

Li An's expression eased when Bai Ping obediently acquiesced to his request.

Meanwhile, Situ Ming and Tie Tai He exchanged a look before they rushed to follow Bai Ping.

Tie Tai He sent a Voice Transmission to Duan Ling Tian, "Master Situ, it seems like the Blissful Sect's Old Ancestor, Li An, didn't come with good intentions..."

"I agree. However, since Master Duan is from a powerful clan in the central area, I don't think he'll dare to offend Master Duan," Situ Ming replied through Voice Transmission. His voice was dripping with confidence.

"That's true." Tie Tai He nodded. He had heard about Duan Ling Tian's true identity as well.

At this moment, Bai Ping, Tie Tai He, and Situ Ming were confident of Duan Ling Tian. After all, they were unaware that Duan Ling Tian had lied to them and made up a fake identity.

When Bai Ping arrived at Duan Ling Tian's residence with Li An, Ji Fan, and the others in tow, Bai Ping took a deep breath before he loudly said, "Master Duan, Li An, the Blissful Sect's Old Ancestor, is here to look for you." Since he had infused his Celestial Origin Energy into his voice, it easily breached the Formation protecting Duan Ling Tian's room.

'Hm? The Blissful Sect's Old Ancestor, Li An, is here for me?' Duan Ling Tian's eyes widened; he was slightly taken aback. He got up from his bed and walked out of the room.

"Brother Ling Tian?" Duan Ling Tian was not cultivating in the same room as Huan'er this time around. When she heard Duan Ling Tian's door open, she came out of her room as well. She naturally linked her arms around his arms as she followed him out.

'What a perfect pair!' This thought popped up in Bai Ping, Tie Tai He, and Situ Ming's minds when they saw the pair even though it was not their first time seeing them together. No matter how they looked at it, Duan Ling Tian and Huan'er seemed like a match made in heaven.

At this moment, Ji Fan broke the silence. He sneered as he said, "Duan Ling Tian, so you're still in the Tai Yi Celestial Sect... I'm afraid you didn't expect the Old Ancestor and I would come to look for you, right? You probably can't guess the reason for our visit..." His eyes flashed coldly when he spoke.

Regardless, Duan Ling Tian did not even deign to look at Ji Fan. He looked at Li An as soon as he stepped out into the courtyard. He coldly asked, "You're looking for me?"

Chapter 2892: Transcender?

"You're looking for me, Li An?" Duan Ling Tian asked nonchalantly.

“Impudent!” Ji Fan, the Arhat of the Blissful Sect, cried out fiercely. His eyes flashed with a murderous intent. “How dare you address my grandmaster by his name? Do you really think of yourself as someone from a powerful clan in the central area?” Then, he said mockingly, “How preposterous!”

“Hm?” Bai Ping, Tie Tai He, and Situ Ming, the Sect Leader, the prominent Celestial Alchemist, and the Supreme Elder of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, were baffled. They did not understand Ji Fan’s words. What did Ji Fan mean by ‘Do you really think of yourself as someone from a powerful clan in the central area? Was... was it possible that Duan Ling Tian was not from a powerful clan in the central area?’

“What do you mean?” Duan Ling Tian frowned slightly as he looked at Ji Fan. Inwardly, he had already guessed that the Blissful Sect must have already seen through his lie. ‘It seems like the Blissful Sect has thoroughly investigated me... Otherwise, they won’t dare to act so rudely. They must know I’m not from a powerful clan in the central area.’

“What do I mean?” The sneer on Ji Fan’s face deepened when he heard Duan Ling Tian’s words. “Duan Ling Tian... The Blissful Sect hasn’t been idle over the past few years. We’ve sent our people all over the Wasteland. You’re not from a powerful clan in the central area. You’re a transcender, someone who had ascended to the Devata Realm from a mundane realm.” His eyes were brimming with smugness, triumph, disdain, and confidence when he spoke.

Bai Ping, Tie Tai He, and Situ Ming could not help but laugh upon hearing Ji Fan’s words. Duan Ling Tian was so talented even though he was not even 100 years old. Before reaching the age of 100, he was already a prominent Celestial Alchemist capable of refining the Overarching Heaven Pill. His alchemy skills were widely acknowledged as the best among the prominent Celestial Alchemists in the Six Southeastern Regions. Apart from that, at such a young age, he was already an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial. How could there be a transcender from the mundane realm who was a top prominent Celestial Alchemist and Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial before even reaching the age of 100?

“What?!”

“Master Duan... is a transcender?!”

“Arhat, it’d be more believable if you told us Master Duan is a direct disciple of the Southern Heaven Divine Emperor of the Southern Heaven Territory... Do you think we’re fools and will believe your claim that Master Duan is a transcender?” Situ Ming said with a sneer.

“Exactly!” Tie Tai He chimed in, “A cultivator who’s an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial and a top prominent Celestial Alchemist under the age of 100 is a transcender? If you can find a transcender like this in the Spirit Overarching Heaven, or even the 81 Devata Realms, I, Tie Tai He, will give you my head to do as you please if you can find a transcender in the 81 Devatal Realms capable of such feats!” It was clear did not believe Ji Fan at all.

“Absurd!” Bai Ping who was usually taciturn agreed with Situ Ming and Tie Tai He as well.

“You... You don’t believe me?” Ji Fan felt wronged and furious when he saw the disbelief on Bai Ping, Tie Tai He, and Situ Ming’s faces.

Duan Ling Tian laughed at the sight of this.

Li An looked at Duan Ling Tian with a calm expression and said to Ji Fan, "Fan'er why are so worked up? After all, if it weren't for the Blissful Sect's investigation, we would also find it hard to believe that Duan Ling Tian is just a transcender. There's no need to argue with them. Don't forget the purpose of our visit. Focus on our objective and ignore everything else." He looked at Duan Ling Tian with a calm and peaceful expression as he conversed with Ji Fan.

Bai Ping, Tie Tai He, and Situ Ming could sense the indifference and disdain in Li An's tone, and an uneasy feeling rose in their hearts. However, even with that, they were still not convinced by Ji Fan's claim of Duan Ling Tian being a transcender.

Li An looked at Duan Ling Tian and said, "Duan Ling Tian, I'm here on behalf of the Blissful Sect. Our sect has thoroughly investigated your background." Without waiting for Duan Ling Tian's reply, he continued to say, "I'm going to give you two options: First, Join the Blissful Sect and become a Revered Elder of the sect. We won't mistreat you. Second, if you refuse, I'll kill you today." His eyes gleamed with killing intent during the end of words.

The killing intent from a Nine Palaces Celestial Duke caused Duan Ling Tian to shudder inwardly. He felt uncomfortable; he knew his life was hanging by a thread at this moment.

"What makes you think I'm not from a powerful clan in the central area just because I'm a transcender?" Duan Ling Tian asked with a straight face.

Ji Fan laughed when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. "Duan Ling Tian, are you really going to insist you're from a powerful clan in the central area?" Then, he added, "Since you're not reconciled, let me share with you another piece of information. The Blissful Sect has some knowledge of the great clans in the central area. After our investigation and speaking to people who have been to the central area before, we discovered there's no Crimson Sky's Duan clan in the central area at all." He spoke slowly as though to make sure everyone would clearly hear his words.

Before Ji Fan could refute his words, Duan Ling Tian looked at Li An and nonchalantly said, "It seems like the Blissful Sect expended a lot of effort to investigate me. However, do you think the Blissful Sect will be able to find anything if the Crimson Sky's Duan clan is a reclusive clan? If I'm not mistaken, even if I choose the first option, you'll still kill me anyway. You'll probably try to dispose of me a few years down the road. There's no need to deny it. How can you possibly spare someone who's liable to become a threat to the Blissful Sect in the future?" He looked at Li An knowingly as he spoke.

"You're very intelligent." Li An's expression changed when he heard Duan Ling Tian's words. Surprisingly, he did not deny Duan Ling Tian's words. The killing intent in his eyes intensified as he said, "Well, you could've lived a few more years. It's really a waste, but as it is, I guess you'll have to die today."

Celestial Origins Energy surged and rippled out Li An's body like a wave. His aura easily suppressed the people from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect.

Even Bai Ping and Tie Tai He who were Seven Stars Celestial Dukes turned slightly pale from the pressure of Li An's Celestial Origin Energy.

It was only natural since Li An was no ordinary Nine Palaces Celestial Duke. He was invincible to everyone below Ten Directions Celestial Dukes. His strength was just lacking a little compared to an ordinary Ten Directions Celestial Duke. He was the strongest Nine Palaces Celestial Duke in the Six Southeastern Regions. Naturally, his aura and Celestial Origins Energy were far superior to ordinary Nine Palaces Celestial Dukes.

Swoosh! Swoosh!

Bai Ping and Tie Tai He exchanged a look before they rushed to Duan Ling Tian's side to protect him.

"Sect leader, Elder Tie..." Duan Ling Tian did not expect Bai Ping and Tie Tai He to protect him even though they knew they were no match for a Nine Palaces Duke like Li An. He was, naturally, moved by this gesture.

"Sect leader, Elder Tie... This is between me and him. There's no need to involve yourselves in this matter," Duan Ling Tian said. He knew Bai Ping and Tie Tai He could not protect him from Li An.

"Master Duan," Bai Ping said unwaveringly in a low voice, "Regardless, if you're a transcender or from a powerful clan in the central area, all I know is you're currently the Chief Celestial Alchemist of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect! Therefore, if anyone wants to harm you, they'll have to do it over my dead body." He sounded determined.

Although Tie Tai He stayed silent, his towering stature standing unmoving next to Bai Ping made it clear he shared Bai Ping's thoughts.

Li An chuckled derisively, amused, "Do you really think you're able to stop me from killing Duan Ling Tian? Both of you are just puny Seven Stars Celestial Dukes."

In just a blink of an eye, Li An appeared in front of Bai Ping and Tie Tai He, leaving no time for the duo to respond at all.

The gap of their strength was way too big!

Boom! Boom!

After the explosion sounded, Duan Ling Tian noticed Bai Ping and Tie Tai He were no longer by his side. Only Li An stood at the spot where Bai Ping and Tie Tai He were standing earlier.

Bai Ping and Tie Tai He were sent flying back in a wretched manner. It was painfully clear they were no match for Li An at all.

Duan Ling Tian looked at Li An with a serene expression as he held a hairpin out of sight. "Li An, I'd like to know if the decision to kill me is your own or the collective decision of the Blissful Sect?"

Chapter 2893: The Consumable Royal Grade Celestial Weapon

Huan'er was holding onto Duan Ling Tian's left hand while he held a hairpin in his right hand that was hidden behind him. The hairpin gleamed brightly; it was clearly a precious artifact. It had three petals that glow with a strange red light.

“I’m curious... Are you here to kill me for personal reasons or on behalf of the Blissful Sect?” Duan Ling Tian asked Li An.

At the same time, one of three petals on the hairpin began to vanish and turn into a red liquid. The liquid passed through the intricate network of patterns on the hairpin before it finally entered Duan Ling Tian’s body through his right hand.

“A death man doesn’t need to know too much!” Li An scoffed and sneered. Then, he suddenly raised his hand and a crescent-shaped light shot toward Duan Ling Tian. The attack was similar to when he attacked Bai Ping and Tie Tai He, the Sect Leader and Supreme Elder of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect respectively. His attack was so swift that Huan’er, Situ Ming, and even Ji Fan could not catch his movements.

Bai Ping and Tie Tai He who were grievously injured cried out in unison, “Master Duan!” Their eyes widened in shock, and their expressions changed drastically. They desperately wished they could save Duan Ling Tian, but they struggled to even rise to their feet.

The crescent-shaped light that was like a reaper’s scythe was halfway to Duan Ling Tian. It buzzed noisily, and in just a moment, it was merely inches away from him.

Suddenly, a voice rang in the air, “Immobilization King Method!”

Before Li An’s attack landed on Duan Ling Tian, a golden light shield shot out of Duan Ling Tian’s body at the speed of light. The golden light shield that shrouded him had the silhouette of a golden Buddha.

Earlier, when Li An had attacked Bai Ping and Tie Tai He, Duan Ling Tian could not catch Li An’s movements at all. However, at this moment, not only could he clearly see Li An’s movements, but Li An’s movements seemed incredibly slow to him as well. For this reason, he had plenty of time to react to Li An’s attack. He could have reacted faster, in fact, but he was taken aback by the sudden surge of his improved strength and Celestial Origin Energy after using one of the three petals of the consumable Royal Grade Celestial Weapon. He was, currently, so powerful that he did not even need to use his Divine Consciousness to sense or investigate his surroundings. He could clearly sense six people on the scene, including him. He could sense Huan’er who was standing closest to him, Bai Ping, Tie Tai He, Situ Ming, and Ji Fan. Everything felt as though they were in the palm of his hands, as though everything was under his control. He was certain he would be able to destroy everything here with just a thought just by using his Celestial Origin Energy alone.

‘So... this is the strength of a Celestial Lord?’ Duan Ling Tian was taken aback by the strength that he had just been granted. He had never experienced such a radical improvement in his strength before. Who knew the petal that transformed into just a small drop of red liquid would grant him such immense power? He felt invincible at this moment!

When Li An’s attack was about to land on him, Duan Ling Tian who was still in awe of his newfound strength regained his senses. He had instinctively cast the Duke Grade Celestial Method, the Immobilization King Method, that he had yet to completely master.

Duan Ling Tian had won the Immobilization King Method from the Blissful Sect during the Alchemy Conference. The silhouette of a golden buddha would appear and shroud and protect him.

Clang!

A soft sound rang in the air as Li An's attack was easily deflected by Duan Ling Tian's golden buddha silhouette. The shield was not the slightest bit damaged.

"Impossible!" Li An cried out in disbelief when he saw Duan Ling Tian alive and well after supposedly being attacked by him. His expression changed drastically.

"This..." Bai Ping and Tie Tai He who struggled to rise to their feet were dumbfounded as well as they stared at Duan Ling Tian in disbelief.

"Brother Ling Tian!" Huan'er cried out anxiously when she heard Bai Ping and Tie Tai He calling out to Duan Ling Tian. Her expression was cold.

"Hm?" At this moment, Duan Ling Tian discovered a surge in Huan'er's Celestial Origin Energy. He could tell she was attempting to use a secret technique that would be detrimental to her.

'This is a Thousand Phantoms Ice Fox's secret technique?' Duan Ling Tian grew anxious, concerned about Huan'er. He did not hesitate to stop Huan'er from using her secret technique. He hastily sent her a Voice Transmission. "Don't forget I still have the consumable Royal Grade Celestial Weapon... I've already used one of the petals!"

Huan'er had completely forgotten about the consumable Royal Grade Celestial Weapon since she was too worried about Duan Ling Tian's safety. She was willing to sacrifice her life as long as Duan Ling Tian was safe. Once she heard Duan Ling Tian's words, she regained her senses and stopped accumulating Celestial Origin Energy to cast her secret technique. However, the abrupt halt of amassing her Celestial Origin Energy caused her to have serious internal injuries due to the backlash. Her energy disappeared, and her face turned pale as she spat out a mouthful of blood.

"Huan'er!" Duan Ling Tian cried out in horror when he saw Huan'er's blood. He felt his heart ache tremendously as he said, "What kind of secret technique is that? You've only mastered the early stage of the technique, and yet, it's already so detrimental to your body!" He did not expect her to suffer from such a huge backlash.

Upon seeing the distressed expression on Duan Ling Tian's face, Huan'er shook her head weakly and feigned a smile. "Brother Ling Tian, I'm all right." As soon as she finished assuring Duan Ling Tian, her face paled even further as she threw up another mouthful of blood.

Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian withdrew his left hand from Huan'er's hand and placed it on her back. He sent his Celestial Origin Energy into her body to heal her. In just a moment, his Celestial Origin Energy successfully righted and calmed Huan'er's deviated Celestial Origin Energy, giving her some relief from the pain of the internal injuries.

“Brother Ling Tian... This is the strength bestowed to you by the Royal Grade Celestial Weapon?” Huan’er was shocked by Duan Ling Tian’s powerful Celestial Origin Energy that was pouring into her body. His Celestial Origin Energy had easily suppressed her deviated and agitated Celestial Origin Energy in no time at all. With his help, she easily regulated the flow of her Celestial Origin Energy. She felt better immediately. However, due to exhaustion she lost her footing. At the critical moment, Duan Ling Tian reached out with his left hand and curled them around her waist as she softly fell on his chest. She hugged him tightly like a clingy koala bear hugging a tree.

Meanwhile, Li An looked at Huan’er pointedly from afar and sneered. “So, it’s all that little girl’s doing!”

Chapter 2894: The Sky Changes

Initially, Li An, the Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect, was baffled by the fact that Duan Ling Tian survived his attack. However, when he saw Huan’er’s vomiting blood, her ashen face, and her lack of aura, he assumed she had overexerted herself to protect Duan Ling Tian, resulting in Duan Ling Tian being alive. Although he had no idea how Huan’er could have possibly helped strengthen the Duke Grade Celestial Method, the Immobilization King Method, and deflected his attack, he remained adamant about killing Duan Ling Tian. He sneered as he thought to himself, ‘I don’t know how you helped Duan Ling Tian in deflecting my attack, but it seems like you’re no longer in any condition to help him now!’

“Master Duan!” Bai Ping and Tie Tai He, the Sect Leader and the Supreme Elder of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect respectively, thought Duan Ling Tian survived due to Huan’er as well. Now that they saw Li An attacking for the second time, their expressions changed drastically again. They continued to struggle, determined to save Duan Ling Tian when Li An’s body flashed out of sight.

When Li An appeared again, he raised both his hands and struck at Bai Ping and Tie Tai He with his palms. He said coldly as he attacked the duo, “Mind your own business, you fools!”

Boom! Boom!

Two loud explosions rang in the air as Li An’s palms landed, stirring up the dust in the surroundings. When the dust settled, Li An was shocked to see two figures shrouded in a golden light that had the silhouette of a Buddha. The protective shield was impenetrable and easily deflected Li An’s double palms strike. Bai Ping and Tie Tai He were clearly unharmed by his attack.

Naturally, it was Duan Ling Tian who stopped Li An’s attack. As he hugged Huan’er with one of his hands, he said with a cold gaze and a sneer, “Are you sure you’re the strongest Nine Palaces Celestial Duke in the Six Southeastern Regions? Is this all you got?!”

“How...how’s that possible...” At this moment, it finally dawned on Li An that Huan’er was not the one who had deflected his attack earlier. He was dumbfounded. How did Duan Ling Tian appear in front of him without him noticing it? Most importantly, how did Duan Ling Tian manage to deflect his attack? It seemed like Duan Ling Tian was far stronger than him.

‘Even a One Basic Celestial King that’s a rank higher than a Celestial Duke wouldn’t be able to move without me catching a trace of it...’ Li An could not see Duan Ling Tian’s movement at all. A frightened expression appeared on his face as he looked at Duan Ling Tian and stammered, “Y-y-you... Who are

you? Why are you s-so p-powerful?” Not only was this young man below the age of 100 and a remarkably superior prominent Celestial Alchemist, but it was clear now that the young man was incredibly powerful; to the extent that it seemed like the young man was even more powerful than a Celestial King.

Ji Fan, the Arhat of the Blissful Sect, rushed to Li An and said, “Grandmaster, Duan Ling Tian’s finally revealed his true strength. His speed is remarkable, I couldn’t even catch his movements. If he grows stronger in the future, he’ll definitely become a threat to the Blissful Sect! Grandmaster, there’s no reason for you to hold back with him! Hurry up and kill him!” He seemed oblivious to the grim and frightened expression on Li An’s face. Otherwise, he would have discovered something was amiss. He was also ignorant of the real situation due to his low cultivation base. He only thought Duan Ling Tian was too fast for him because Duan Ling Tian was stronger than him. It did not occur to him that Duan Ling Tian was currently stronger than Li An. He thought Li An was deliberately toying with Duan Ling Tian and was holding back.

‘Hold back? Hurry and kill him?’ Li An’s body trembled from anger as he clenched his fists to suppress his anger and frustrations. He seemed apprehensive as he studied Duan Ling Tian. How was it possible for someone who was not even 100 years old to be so strong? Did he master some secret technique? ‘Let alone the Spirit Overarching Heaven, there might not be someone like him who’s a prominent Celestial Alchemist and a Celestial King before reaching the age of 100 in the other Devata Realms!’

In the end, Li An concluded the Duan Ling Tian must have used a secret technique that granted him the strength of an ordinary Celestial King.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian released a slight amount of his aura into his surroundings.

It did not take long for the people around him to sense Duan Ling Tian’s formidable aura.

Bai Ping and Tie Tai He who were the first to sense the aura since they were closest to him cried out, “This... this is the aura of a Celestial Lord!” They were thoroughly shocked. They finally realized it was not Huan’er that protected Duan Ling tian earlier. They could tell Duan Ling Tian’s aura was even stronger than the aura of a Ten Directions Celestial Duke. After all, they had both felt the auras of Ten Directions Celestial Dukes before.

Swoosh!

Duan Ling Tian’s Celestial Origin Energy continued to surge as he looked at Li An pointedly with killing intent. The huge amount of pressure from his aura caused Li An’s face to turn ghastly pale.

Boom!

A loud explosion rang in the air as Li An was suddenly shot into the sky to the horizon. He was not certain if Duan Ling Tian were relying on some secret technique that granted him this formidable strength, but he was certain at this moment he was no match for Duan Ling Tian. The only thing he could do now was flee! He was panic-stricken as he left his beloved grand disciple, Ji Fan, behind and escaped on his own.

On the contrary, Duan Ling Tian remained calm. He was not in a hurry to chase after Li An. He only watched as Li An escaped.

“Grandmaster?” Ji Fan looked at Li An who had left him behind in confusion. He had lost his arrogant expression at this moment and looked as timid as a mouse.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian said loudly, “Li An! Do you think you can escape from me?”

Duan Ling Tian’s voice resonated through the entire Tai Yi Celestial Sect. The disciples broke out in an uproar when they heard his voice. One by one, they flew up into the sky, heading to the source of the voice.

“Is that... Master Duan’s voice?”

“What’s going on? Did... Did Master Duan say the Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect, the strongest Nine Palaces Celestial Duke in the Six Southeastern Regions, is running from him?”

“Sounds like it...”

“Well, there’s a rumor going around that Master Duan is from a powerful clan in the central area. If that’s true, I’m sure his clansmen are secretly protecting him here. Maybe his clansmen have appeared to deal with Li An!”

“C’mon! Let’s go check it out!”

At this moment, a series of explosions rang in the air.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

The blue sky suddenly turned purple in a blink of an eye.

“Good heavens... What’s...what’s going on?”

“What happened to the sky?”

“Can anybody tell me what’s going on? Why did the sky suddenly change?”

The disciples of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect discussed among themselves in panic.

Chapter 2895: Li An’s Death

In the Tai Yi Celestial Sect’s estate, only a few people are privy to the reason the sky changed.

“This...”

“Is... is this the Duke Grade Divine Ability, the Eastern Purple Qi, from the Profound Heaven Celestial Sect?”

Bai Ping and Tie Tai He, the Sect Leader and the Supreme Elder of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect respectively, stared at Duan Ling Tian with a shocked expression on their faces.

Duan Ling Tian easily flew into the air with Huan'er in his arm as his aura surged and exploded into a purple streak of light.

Boom!

The ground began to quake as the horizon near the Tai Yi Celestial Sect's estate turned purple...

"Master Duan has mastered the Eastern Purple Qi?"

"It looks like one of the methods from the Eastern Purple Qi called the Purple Void. This method can only be used once one has completely mastered the Eastern Purple Qi, right?"

"The Purple Void has shrouded the entire Tai Yi Celestial Sect's estate... Seems like the Purple Void cast by the two Ten Directions Celestial Dukes from the Profound Heaven Celestial Sect didn't even reach 10% of the Purple Void that Master Duan cast, right?"

"Judging from Master Duan's display of strength... He must have surpassed the level of an ordinary Celestial King! It's impossible for an ordinary Celestial King to cast to such an overwhelmingly powerful Purple Void."

"It's said those targeted by the Purple Void will not be able to hide or escape as long as they remain in the Purple Void."

While Bai Ping and Tie Tia He discussed among themselves, the prominent Celestial Alchemist of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, Situ Ming, and Ji Fan, the Arhat of the Blissful Sect, overheard their conversations. They were perplexed.

'Master Duan... Is a Celestial King?' Situ Ming was dumbfounded. It took him a while to regain his senses.

'Duan Ling Tian a Celestial King? In fact, he doesn't seem like an ordinary Celestial King. When he cast the Purple Void, it's far more powerful than when the two Ten Directions Celestial Dukes from the Profound Heaven Celestial Sect cast it.' After overhearing Bai Ping and Tie Tai He's conversation and sensing Duan Ling Tian's aura, Ji Fan who was shocked and terrified fell to his knees and trembled uncontrollably. Many questions flitted in his mind at this moment. 'How's this possible? How's he so powerful? Didn't he just ascend here not too long ago? Isn't he younger than 100 years old? How's this possible?' He wished with all his might that the scene before him was just a nightmare.

After a few breaths, an energetic yet frightened voice rang in the air. A hint of false bravado could be heard in the tone. "The Eastern Purple Qi! Your mastery of the Eastern Purple Qi is, indeed, powerful! Not even an ordinary Celestial King is capable of this!" It was none other than Li An, the Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect, who had spoken.

At this moment, a disciple of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect who was hovering in the sky above the sect's estate cried out, "Look! The purple sky is starting to revert to its original color!"

Everyone instinctively turned to look. They saw the purple energy receding at a fast speed.

"Look! There's a figure in the middle!"

A figure could be seen in the center where the purple energy seemed to be attracted to.

“It’s a monk!”

“Isn’t... Isn’t that the Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect, Li An? I’ve met him once!”

“What? This shabby looking monk is the strongest Nine Palaces Celestial Duke in the Six Southern Regions, Li An?”

Li An who was surrounded by the purple energy looked miserable in his torn kasaya. His aura seemed to have disappeared.

Just as the people from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect slowly approached Li An...

Swoosh!

A purple and white figure suddenly appeared out of thin air near Li An. Their appearance caught the attention of the people from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect instantly.

“Isn’t... isn’t that Master Duan?”

“Lady Huan’er is there as well...”

The members of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, naturally, recognized Duan Ling Tian and Huan’er who were embracing tightly looked like they were one entity for a brief moment.

Duan Ling Tian scoffed and said disdainfully, “Who would expect the strongest Nine Palaces Celestial Duke in the Six Southeastern Regions would have such a day as well.” His expression was calm. One of his arms was still wrapped tightly around Huan’er while the other rested on his back.

“Master Duan.” At this time, Bai Ping, Tie Tai He, and Situ Ming finally arrived near Duan Ling Tian.

“Grandmaster!” Ji Fan cried out. He had tried to escape but was cowed by Bai Ping’s pointed and threatening stare. He could only obediently follow them here. When he saw Li An’s miserable and roughed up appearance, his expression changed drastically. He rushed to Li An’s side. It was an instinctive reaction. After all, Li An was the only one who could make him feel secure at this moment regardless if it was obvious Li An was no match for Duan Ling Tian.

“Duan Ling Tian, I underestimated you.” Li An looked at Duan Ling Tian and laughed mirthlessly. “I thought you’re a mere transcender; I didn’t expect you to be so strong... However, I don’t think this is your true strength, right? You must have used some secret technique.” Li An’s energy had dropped drastically that he struggled just to speak. It was clear he was severely injured.

Whoosh! Whoosh!

Before Duan Ling Tian could react, two beams of grey light shot out from Li An’s glabella as he stared at Duan Ling Tian.

“A Soul Attack!” The people from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect were shocked to see Li An casting a Soul Attack on Duan Ling Tian.

“Your resistance is futile!” Duan Ling Tian smirked coldly. He knew Li An would think his soul was not on par with the strength he displayed. After all, if he only possessed the strength of a Celestial Lord without the corresponding soul and Celestial Origin Energy, he would be vulnerable to Soul Attacks. Alas, he did not use such a secret technique. The consumable Royal Grade Weapon not only granted him strength comparable to Celestial Lord, but it also temporarily gave him the soul and Celestial Origin Energy of a Celestial King to match. Although it was just the strength of an ordinary Celestial Lord, it was still more than enough to conquer the entire Six Southeastern Regions if he so wished.

At this moment, a light flashed in Duan Ling Tian’s left eye and easily destroyed Li An’s Soul Attack before it hit Li An’s soul.

Li An hastily said with his last breath before his soul was destroyed by Duan Ling Tian, “Duan Ling Tian, it was me who wanted to kill you. It has nothing to do with the Blissful Sect!”

“Is that so?” Duan Ling Tian sneered when he heard Li An’s words.

At the same time, the purple energy that rendered Li An immobile finally disappeared with just a thought from Duan Ling Tian. Then, Li An’s body fell from the sky and hit the ground with a loud thud.

Then, Duan Ling Tian smiled coldly as he looked at Ji Fan and asked, “Arhat... Is he telling the truth?”

Chapter 2896: Freakish Talent

Previously, Ji Fan, the Arhat of the Blissful Sect, would not have cared if Duan Ling Tian glared at him. However, at this moment, although Duan Ling Tian was smiling, he could not help but flinch as his expression changed drastically. He unconsciously tensed up as though he was standing on pins and needles. Although he did not clearly see how Li An, his grandmaster and the Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect died, it was not difficult to discern that Duan Ling Tian was the one who killed Li An based on the reactions of the people from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect. In the past, Ji Fan would never even flinch if Duan Ling Tian would glare at him.

Ji Fan grew even more panicked and fearful when he heard the discussions of the high-ranking officials and members of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect.

“Heavens! Master Duan’s Soul Attack is frightening... It destroyed Li An’s Soul Attack and annihilated his soul!”

“Li An’s Soul Attack is not a match for Master Duan’s Soul Attack at all!”

“Master Duan’s strength is too formidable!”

“Master Duan is really good at hiding his true abilities. Previously, he had also hidden his skills in alchemy during the Alchemy Conference. It was later revealed he’s extremely skilled and talented in alchemy. Who knew his strength is as remarkable as his skills in alchemy as well?”

“Based on his display of strength earlier, even a Ten Directions Celestial Duke is no match for Master Duan, right?”

“Master Duan must be a Celestial King! Otherwise, he couldn’t be so strong!”

“When the sky turned purple and the Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect, Li An, was imprisoned by the purple energy, I didn’t expect it to be an attack by Master Duan. I thought it was his clansmen protecting him!”

“Heavens! What kind of background does Master Duan have? He’s freakishly talented!”

“A prominent Celestial Alchemist and a Celestial King powerhouse, all before he reached the age of 100. Not even in 10,000 years have we seen someone like that in the entire Spirit Overarching Heaven?”

“Who knows? Up till today, I didn’t think there’s a Celestial King who hasn’t even reached the age of 100. Who knows if he’s the first in the Spirit Overarching Heaven?”

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian’s gaze grew colder as he asked, “Arhat, are you deliberately ignoring me?”

Ji Fan’s face paled immediately, and he felt as though he had fallen into an icy lake. He shook his head and hastily said, “No, no, no... I’m not... Master Duan, it’s not intentional. I-I... was just distracted. Sorry. I’m really sorry!” He bowed repeatedly as he apologized to Duan Ling Tian. His body trembled violently; he was afraid Duan Ling Tian would attack him. With Duan Ling Tian’s strength, he was just like a helpless chicken on a chopping board.

Duan Ling Tian cocked an eyebrow and lightly asked, “So are you going to answer me now? Did Li An tell the truth? Is it just his personal vendetta against me and has nothing to do with the Blissful Sect? You better not lie to me. After all, it won’t be difficult for me to uncover the truth!” He stared at Ji Fan intently, clearly warning him not to lie.

“No... No... Even if I had the courage of a lion, I won’t dare to lie to you,” Ji Fan replied hastily as he gestured with his hands, “After the high-rank officials of the Blissful Sect discovered Master Duan’s a transcender, they decided to get rid of you. That’s why my grandmaster and I are here and... You know the rest of the story.” He looked at Duan Ling Tian timidly as he asked tentatively, “Master Duan, that’s all I know... May I leave... now?” He, naturally, could not wait to leave. He felt as though he could die at any given moment if he continued to stay here.

“Of course.” Duan Ling Tian nodded in approval after listening to Ji Fan’s explanation.

Ji Fan was just about to heave a sigh of relief when fear paralyzed him...

Duan Ling Tian said, “Arhat, I feel like visiting the Blissful Sect... Would you mind showing me the way there?”

The people of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, naturally, knew the reason Duan Ling Tian wanted to visit the Blissful Sect.

“Is Master Duan planning to cause trouble in the Blissful Sect?”

“Looks like it... It’s madness, and it’s not wise, right?”

“To an ordinary person, it might be crazy, but it’s not a big deal to Master Duan.”

“That’s right! After all, Master Duan’s a Celestial King!”

The people of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect fervently discussed among themselves. Word continued to spread even the lowest of disciples were aware of Duan Ling Tian’s strength. Everyone was shocked and excited to find out their Revered Elder was a Celestial King!

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian’s eyes glinted coldly as he said, “Looks like the Arhat is unwilling to take me there?”

“No... No... Of course, I’m willing! I’m willing! It’s an honor for me to show you the way. It’s a blessing!” Ji Fan hastily replied when he saw the coldness of Duan Ling Tian’s gaze. He was so frightened that sweat began to trickle down his forehead.

Then, Duan Ling Tian looked at Bai Ping, the Sect Leader of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, and asked with a smile before he glanced at Tie Tai He, “Sect leader, will you allow me to bring Supreme Elder Tie with me to the Blissful Sect?”

“Of course!” Bai Ping did not hesitate at all. Although he did not know why Duan Ling Tian wanted to bring Tie Tai He to the Blissful Sect, he had no reason to reject Duan Ling Tian’s request. It was a small request, after all.

“Thank you, sect leader.” Duan Ling Tian nodded before he looked at Tie Tai He and said, “Elder Tie, I’ll need you to bring us to the Blissful Sect since I plan to continue comprehending the Celestial Method during our journey.”

Bai Ping finally understood why Duan Ling Tian wanted to bring Tie Tai He along. It was so Tie Tai He could carry Duan Ling Tian with his energy while Duan Ling Tian concentrated on comprehending the Celestial Method.

“All right, that’s not a problem,” Tie Tai He replied with a smile. A hint of respect could be seen flashing in the depths of his eyes as he looked at Duan Ling Tian. He had always been impressed by Duan Ling Tian’s talent in alchemy. After all, not even a supreme Duke Grade Celestial Alchemist was a match for him. However, he did not expect Duan Ling Tian to also be a Celestial King. It was only natural that he had even more respect for Duan Ling Tian now.

After speaking to Tie Tai He, Duan Ling Tian lowered his head to look at Huan’er and said, “Huan’er, you should stay here and recuperate while I go to the Blissful Sect and...”

Before Duan Ling Tian finishes speaking, Huan’er interjected, “Brother Ling Tian, I want to come along. I don’t want to be away from you. Since Elder Tie is carrying you there with his energy, I can recuperate during the journey as well.” She was clearly determined to follow Duan Ling Tian.

“Alright...” Duan Ling Tian shook his head helplessly as he smiled wryly.

Soon after, Duan Ling Tian bade farewell to Bai Ping and left the Tai Yi Celestial Sect for the Blissful Sect with Ji Fan as their guide.

When Duan Ling Tian and the others’ figures finally disappeared from sight, the people from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect slowly regained their senses and broke into an uproar.

“Master Duan’s gonna turn the Blissful Sect upside down...”

“However, if Master Duan threatens the foundation of the Blissful Sect, their quasi Celestial King that lives in seclusion in the Six Southeastern Regions won’t just stay idle, right?”

“Quasi Celestial King? Do you think they’re a match for Master Duan?”

“Exactly! Even an ordinary Celestial King is no match for Master Duan, let alone a quasi Celestial King.”

“It’s best if the quasi Celestial Kings from the Blissful Sect stay out of this matter. If they anger Master Duan, Master Duan might kill them with just a flip of his palm!”

“I’m really curious about Master Duan’s background now. What kind of clan is able to produce such a talented freak?”

The people of Tai Yi Celestial Sect were, naturally, shocked at Duan Ling Tian’s monstrous talent. After all, he was not even 100 years old, but he had already achieved so many remarkable feats. It was truly unprecedented.

Chapter 2897: Incredulous

It was possible for one to conceal one’s aura through some techniques. However, it had been proven impossible for someone over the age of 100 to disguise himself as someone below the age of 100. At the very least, it was unprecedented in the Spirit Overarching Heaven and the other Devata Realms. For this reason, nobody doubted Duan Ling Tian’s age.

After witnessing Duan Ling Tian’s strength that was comparable to a Celestial King, the high-ranking officials from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect knew Duan Ling Tian’s time in the Wasteland was limited.

“Once words spread about what happened in the Tai Yi Celestial Sect’s estate, the entire Six Southeastern Regions and the borderlands would be shocked!”

“That’s right... This would be especially true for those who have met Master Duan. I’m sure they didn’t expect him to be so powerful.”

“It’s unfortunate that Master Duan is from the central area, and he’ll have to leave our Tai Yi Celestial Sect sooner or later. Otherwise, with this strength, it’d be easy for us to dominate the Six Southeastern Regions and the borderlands!”

“Stop daydreaming... Have you forgotten? There’s a Formation between the borderlands and the central area. A Celestial King’s time is limited in the borderlands. This means Master Duan will have to leave soon.”

“Master Duan is only still here because he wants to fully master the Immobilization King Method and the Eastern Purple Qi first so he can give us the copies of them before he leaves,” one of the high-ranking officials of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect said.

Bai Ping, the Sect Leader of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, could not help but sigh inwardly, ‘Based on the power of the Eastern Purple Qi and the Immobilization King Method when Master Duan cast them, it

seems like he has already mastered the Eastern Purple Qi. It won't take long for him to completely master the Immobilization King Method as well... When that time comes, he'll leave the Tai Yi Celestial Sect.' He felt heavy-hearted when he thought about this. After all, with Duan Ling Tian's departure, the Tai Yi Celestial Sect would not only lose an extraordinary prominent Celestial Alchemist who bested a supreme Duke Grade Celestial Method and was widely acknowledged as the best prominent Celestial Alchemist in the Six Southeastern Regions and the borderlands, but the sect would also lose a Celestial King.

'Master Duan is really amazing...' Similarly, Situ Ming, the prominent Celestial Alchemist of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, who was hovering in the air sighed inwardly. He was still in a daze over Duan Ling Tian's performance earlier that he did not even realize that Yang Chong and Yu Zhong Jing had arrived by his side.

"Unbelievable! Master Duan is also a Celestial King?" Yang Chong exclaimed.

"A monster!" Yu Zhong Jing only uttered two words. However, they were more than enough to express the impact Duan Ling Tian had left on him.

Shortly afterward, the people of Tai Yi Celestial Sect began to disperse. Some of them left the Tai Yi Celestial Sect's estate to spread the word of what happened today. It did not take long before it spread through Tai Yi City and to the Thousand Spiders City and the Martial Dragon City. It continued to spread like a wildfire to the major cities in the Wasteland, causing an uproar. However, it was only natural that there were many who were skeptical.

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At the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect.

"The Chief Celestial Alchemist of Tai Yi Celestial Sect, Duan Ling Tian, is not only an outstanding prominent Celestial Alchemist, but he's also a Celestial King powerhouse?"

"How's that possible?"

"I've met Master Duan. It's true he's not even 100 years old. He's incredibly talented and outstanding in alchemy. How's it possible that he's a Celestial King as well?!"

"This news must be fake!"

The people from the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect were in disbelief. They did not believe Duan Ling Tian was a Celestial King and thought the news was fake.

"Duan Ling Tian toyed with Li An before killing him? He even destroyed Li An's Soul Attack and killed Li An with his Soul Attack?"

"Hmph! If it's true, why didn't he save He Shan, the Old Ancestor of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect from Sect Leader Bai Wu Ji from the Profound Heaven Celestial Sect during the Alchemy Conference?"

"That's right! He only watched He Shan died!"

“In fact, Duan Ling Tian revealed his cultivation base during the Alchemy Conference... Although he’s extraordinarily talented in alchemy, he has said he’s only an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial”

The people from the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect who attended the Alchemy Conference remained skeptical and did not believe Duan Ling Tian was a Celestial King.

Jian Qiu Luo and Chai Kong Yu, the Sect Leader of the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect respectively, paid no heed to the rumor as well. They only shook their heads and sneered.

“A Celestial King?” Even Zhou Shu Qiu shook her head in disbelief.

Although word of Duan Ling Tian killing Li An had spread through the Wasteland, nobody except those from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect took it seriously. After all, even the two major sects in the Wasteland, the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect, did not believe it.

“Nobody believes it?”

“Hmph! Master Duan’s indeed a Celestial King. I personally witness his strength. How dare the people from the Thousand Spider Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect doubt him!”

“Just let them be... We can’t go begging for them to believe it, can we?”

The people of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect were, naturally, upset that nobody believed them.

“It’s only natural for the people from the Thousand Spiders Celestial Sect and the Martial Dragon Celestial Sect to be skeptical. After all, none of them saw how Duan Ling Tian killed Li An. We didn’t record it with a Floating Image Pearl at that time.”

“An ordinary Floating Image Pearl is too slow to catch Li An’s movements. Only a Floating Image Pearl created by a Celestial Duke could catch his movements.”

“That may be so, but it still won’t be able to catch the movements of a Celestial King. Only a higher-grade Floating Image Pearl would be able to capture a Celestial King’s movements.”

Among the high-ranking officials of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, there were a few of them who possessed Duke Grade Floating Image Pearls. Alas, nobody remembered to record the fight. They felt extremely regretful. Although it might not be able to capture Duan Ling Tian’s movements, it would be able to record Li An using Soul Attack on Duan Ling Tian and the moment Li An died. That would be enough evidence to prove the news was not fake.

“Even then, the Thousand Spider Celestial Sect and Martial Dragon Celestial Sect made a good point though. It’s reasonable why they don’t believe the rumors..”

“What is it?”

“They said if Duan Ling Tian is a Celestial King, why didn’t he save our Old Ancestor from Bai Wu Ji’s attack during the Alchemy Conference?”

“Hm... That’s true. Why didn’t I think of it?”

“Perhaps, Master Duan didn’t intervene because he thinks the Old Ancestor should pay with his life for killing the Young Master of the Profound Heaven Celestial Sect?”

“It’s possible... Furthermore, he won’t be able to protect the Old Ancestor forever since he’ll leave the Tai Yi Celestial Sect soon. What if he intervened and further offended Bai Wu Ji? That’ll only bring trouble to us!”

“That makes sense... It must be the reason why Master Duan didn’t intervene.”

Meanwhile, Bai Ping seemed bothered as he stared blankly into the air. He thought to himself with a frown, ‘Previously, Master Duan had mentioned he was helpless to save the Old Ancestor. I guess this means he had no intention of staying idle if he were strong enough to help at that time. Then, if that’s the case, how did he grow so strong in such a short time? How did he become a Celestial King in such a short time?!’

Chapter 2898: The Old Ancestor of Blissful Sect, Li Ping.

Naturally, Duan Ling Tian did not know about the commotion that broke out once he left the Tai Yi Celestial Sect’s estate and the Wasteland. He, Huan’er, Tie Tai He, the Supreme Elder of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, and Ji Fan, the Arhat of the Blissful Sect, were making their way to the Blissful Sect in the Cross Region. With Tie Tai He carrying them, he was able to comprehend the Duke Grade Celestial Method, the Immobilization King Method, that he had gained from the Blissful Sect. He planned to leave the borderlands and venture into the central area after completely mastering this Celestial Method.

Now that Duan Ling Tian had used the consumable Royal Grade Celestial Weapon, he had temporarily gained the strength, soul, and the Celestial Original Energy of a Celestial King. In all manners, he was a Celestial King for now until the effect faded. To conserve his energy, he had asked Tie Tai He to bring them to the Blissful Sect. After all, the effect would grow less and less every time he used it until it was completely depleted.

‘After a round of attack, I can clearly feel my Celestial Origin Energy and soul had dropped from that of an ordinary Celestial Lord to that of a Ten Directions Celestial King.’ Duan Ling Tian sighed inwardly. The Ten Directions Celestial King was just one stage away from becoming a Celestial Lord, but the gap in their strength was extremely wide. He consoled himself inwardly, ‘It’s fine. With this strength, it’s still more than enough for me to dominate the Six Southeastern Regions if I wish.’ Feeling much better, he continued focusing on comprehending the Immobilization King Method while Huan’er recuperated from the injuries.

On the other hand, Ji Fan, the Arhat of the Blissful Sect, was like a mindless zombie during their journey to the Blissful Sect. Tie Tai He had been constantly keeping a sharp eye on him. He truly regretted begging Li An, the Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect and his grandmaster, to bring him to the Tai Yi Celestial Sect. His expression was grim as he thought to himself, ‘News of grandmaster’s death should’ve reached the sect by now, right?’

Ji Fan was not saddened by Li An's death at all. Previously, he had respected his grandmaster. However, when he saw his grandmaster deserting him and trying to escape on his own, all his respect for Li An had vanished. Although he would probably have done the same if he were in Li An's shoes, he still could not and would not forgive Li An for attempting to desert.

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In the Blissful Sect's estate in the Cross Region.

The estate was located high on the mountains that were shrouded by a mist all year round. It was the effect from an illusory Formation.

The Blissful Sect was always peaceful, however, unbeknownst to them, chaos would soon descend on the sect.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

All of a sudden, the buildings in the Blissful Sect's estate began to shake as though there was an earthquake.

"What's going on?"

"Is it an earthquake?"

"Impossible! Our estate is protected by many Formations. There's one that will protect us from the shockwaves of an earthquake."

"Then, what's the cause of this?"

"I've no idea."

Due to quaking building and ground, many members and disciples halted their cultivation and came out to have a look. All of them wore a confused expression on their faces.

At this moment, an earth-shattering cry that was angry and mournful rang through the Blissful Sect's estate. "Brother An!"

"Isn't that Old Ancestor Li Ping's voice?"

"He sounds angry... Did something happen to Old Ancestor Li An?"

"That's impossible!"

"Old Ancestor Li An has gone to the Wasteland to look for Duan Ling Tian. I don't think there's anyone in the Wasteland who's a threat to him, right?"

"That's right! Unless... Duan Ling Tian truly comes from an extraordinary clan in the central area, and his clansmen acted against Old Ancestor Li An when Old Ancestor Li An tried to kill Duan Ling Tian. Otherwise, no one from the Wasteland is a threat to Old Ancestor Li An at all!!"

Meanwhile, when the high-ranking officials from the Blissful Sect heard the cry of Li Ping, another Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect, they knew something was amiss. They fervently discussed among themselves as they rushed toward Li Ping.

“Let’s find out what happened!”

“Come on!”

One by one, the high-rank officials of the Blissful Sect, including their sect leader, rushed toward Li Ping’s direction. Although they could not say for certain, based on Li Ping’s words, it was not difficult to guess what had happened.

“Old Ancestor Li An hasn’t returned from the Wasteland, and Old Ancestor Li Ping just cried out Old Ancestor Li An’s name in anger... He must have discovered something wrong with Old Ancestor Li An’s Soul Pearl!”

“Is... is it possible that Old Ancestor Li An is dead? That’s the only reason Old Ancestor Li Ping would be so angry!”

“Old Ancestor Li An? Dead?”

“I hope that’s not the case... Anyway, we’ll find out what happened once we see Old Ancestor Li Ping.”

All of them wore a gloomy and tense expression on their faces as they rushed over to Li Ping. After all, the Blissful Sect would be tremendously affected in a negative manner if Li An was dead. Li An was, after all, the strongest Nine Palaces Celestial Duke in the Six Southeastern Regions; he had a very high possibility of breaking through and becoming a Ten Directions Celestial Duke. How could the Blissful Sect not suffer if they lost such a person?

As the disciples from the Blissful Sect continued to discuss among themselves, the high-ranking officials of the sect finally arrived at Li Ping’s courtyard.

The Blissful Sect had two old ancestors, Li An and Li Ping. They were not biological brothers but paternal cousins. The duo had been through thick and thin together so their bond was even stronger than most biological brothers. Needless to say, they both cared about each other a lot.

The Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect, a tall and stout middle-aged monk with a jade-like complexion who was wearing a red kasaya, asked with an unsightly expression on his face, “Senior uncle... What’s wrong?”

Meanwhile, the other high-ranking officials of the Blissful Sect bowed and greeted Li Ping in unison. “Greetings, Old Ancestor Li Ping.”

Li Ping was a skinny old man. As he stood before the high-ranking officials of the Blissful Sect, his robes fluttered violently in the wind due to his surging Celestial Origin Energy. At this moment, he was staring intently at a shattered Soul Pearl in his palm. Rage could be seen flashing in his eyes. He was consumed in anger that he did not reply to the others. After a while had passed, he finally looked at the Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect with bloodshot eyes and said in a trembling voice that was brimming with anger, “Kong’er... Your master is dead!”

“Master!” The Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect, Liu Xuan Kong, had prepared himself for the worst, but he was still shocked by Li Ping’s words. He was devastated as he fell to his knees and cried. Tears streamed down his face as he slammed his fists on the ground, overwhelmed by grief, as he cried out, “W-what happened? What happened?”

Li Ping looked at the other high-ranking officials of the Blissful Sect and grimly asked, “Tell me... Where’s Brother An? Based on his shattered Soul Pearl, he has been dead for a while. Before I started my closed-door cultivation, he had gone to Alchemy City to attend the Alchemy Conference...”

Since Li Ping had been in closed-door cultivation before this, he was not aware that Li An had returned to the sect before setting out again.

Upon hearing Li Ping’s question, Liu Xuan Kong quickly recounted the events that happened while Li Ping was in closed-door cultivation.

“A prominent Celestial Alchemist under 100 years old is capable of refining the Overarching Heaven Pill? He’s acknowledged as the top Celestial Alchemist in the Six Southeastern Regions during the Alchemy Conference, and he’s also an Overarching Heavenly Supreme Celestial? He’s just someone who has ascended from the mundane realm not too long ago?” Li Ping was, naturally, shocked to hear the Tai Yi Celestial Sect in the Wasteland had such an outstanding elder. He was so shocked that he temporarily forgot about Li An’s death. When he regained his senses, he looked at Liu Xuan Kong and solemnly asked, “So Brother An went to the Tai Yi Celestial Sect in the Wasteland to kill him?”

“Yes.” Liu Xuan Kong nodded tentatively.

“Fools!” Li Ping glared at Liu Xuan Kong and barked, “Even if he’s a transcender, you should’ve been more thorough with your investigation. In the Spirit Overarching Heaven, there are many powerful factions that have relations with those from the mundane realms.”

“Senior uncle,” Liu Xuan Kong said with a bitter smile, “If he really has an extraordinary background, his clan would’ve picked him up as soon as he ascended to the Spirit Overarching Heaven... Based on our investigation, he has been alone all this time. He’s come so far by relying on his own effort. Previously, he was almost killed by an elder from the Compassionate Celestial Traveler Sect... However, that elder is still alive and well today.”

Chapter 2899: One More Month

“Senior uncle, if Duan Ling Tian really has an extraordinary background, do you think that elder from the Compassionate Celestial Traveler Sect who tried to kill him would still be alive? Would Duan Ling Tian and his clansmen let things slide?” Liu Xuan Kong, the Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect, said bitterly as he looked at Li Ping, the other Old Ancestor of the Blissful Sect, “Based on the results of our investigation, all signs indicated that Duan Ling Tian isn’t from any powerful clan. After we’ve confirmed this, we decided to get rid of him. Master insister on personally killing Duan Ling Tian. He brought Ji Fan with him to the Wasteland.” As soon as he finished speaking, his expression changed drastically as though he was just reminded of something. He raised his hand and a Soul Pearl appeared out of thin air.

“Ji Fan is still alive!” Liu Xuan Kong exclaimed as he looked at the Soul Pearl in his palm.

Upon hearing Liu Xuan Kong's words, the high-ranking officials discussed among themselves in confusion.

"That's the Arhat's Soul Pearl?"

"The Arhat's Soul Pearl is intact. This means he's still alive... However, isn't it strange that Old Ancestor Li An is dead, but the Arhat is still alive?"

"What happened? Old Ancestor Li An is clearly very strong, and the Arhat is extremely weak in comparison. How is it that the Arhat is alive while the mighty Old Ancestor Li An is dead?"

Meanwhile, Li Ping looked at the Soul Pearl nestled in Liu Xuan Kong's palm intently with narrowed eyes as he asked in a deep voice, "Fan'er's still alive? Kong'er, are you sure this is Fan'er's Soul Pearl?"

Ji Fan was not only the Blissful Sect's future sect leader, but he was also Li An's beloved grand disciple. As the saying went, 'Love the house, and love its crows'. Naturally, Li Ping doted on Ji Fan as well. Now that he discovered Ji Fan was alive, he could not help but feel something was amiss.

"Senior uncle, Ji Fan's my last disciple. There's no doubt this is his Soul Pearl. Even if it's not, the Soul Pearls in my hands are all intact. At least one of them belongs to Ji Fan. This means there's no doubt he's alive," Liu Xuan Kong replied.

Li Ping nodded before he grimly said, "I think this matter must be related to Duan Ling Tian as well... Although we have confirmed that Duan Ling Tian's a transcender with an ordinary background, we can't be 100% certain. There's a small chance we've overlooked something."

"Senior uncle, what should we do? Master is dead... Should we send someone to the Wasteland to investigate the matter?" Liu Xuan Kong asked.

"Not at this moment." Li Ping shook his head as his eyes flashed. "Since Fan'er's still alive, he'll definitely send us a message through a Communication Celestial Talisman. What we must do now is wait for his Communication Celestial Talisman!" Li Ping solemnly said.

"Senior uncle, you mentioned earlier that master has been dead for a while now... If Ji Fan really sent a Communication Celestial Talisman, we should've received it by now. Is it possible that it was intercepted?" Liu Xuan Kong asked tentatively.

"It's possible. Only a couple of people in the Six Southern Regions and the borderlands are able to threaten Brother An. He might have been killed by a quasi Celestial King or even a Celestial King. Otherwise, it's impossible for someone whose cultivation base is lower than that of a Celestial King to kill Brother An," Li Ping replied.

"Is it possible that the quasi Celestial Kings from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect came out from seclusion and killed master because master tried to annihilate the sect?" Liu Xuan Kong asked with a grim expression.

"Impossible!" Li Ping shook his head and vehemently said, "It's impossible that Brother An would even think about annihilating the Tai Yi Celestial Sect... After all, he clearly knows the Tai Yi Celestial Sect is protected by their quasi Celestial Kings. There's no doubt he would only kill Duan Ling Tian and leave the Tai Yi Celestial Sect alone." He had spent so many years with Li An so he knew Li An very well. He knew Li

An would never jeopardize the sect by provoking the quasi Celestial Kings from the Tai Yi Celestial Sect. In fact, Li An was even more cautious than Li Ping. Since he would not even consider doing such a thing, how could Li An do something like that?

Upon hearing Li Ping's words, Liu Xuan Long was reminded that, indeed, it was not in Li An's character to do such a thing. It seemed like he was too anxious that he had blurted the earlier words without giving it much thought.

"It seems like there's only one possibility," Li Ping said grimly, "A powerhouse capable of intercepting a Communication Celestial Talisman had killed Brother An... Therefore, Fan'er didn't bother with sending a Communication Celestial Talisman since it's futile. In any case, sooner or later Fan'er will return. All we can do now is wait. So long as Fan'er is alive, he's bound to return to the sect. At that time, we'll be able to learn about what happened from him." Although Li Ping was utterly devastated by Li An's death, he still remained level-headed, and his judgment was sound. After all, as the oldest member of the Blissful Sect, his experience was more than enough for him to maintain his composure when faced with such a situation.

Liu Xuan Kong and the high-ranking officials of the Blissful Sect agreed that Li Ping's words were logical. Even if they thought otherwise, no one would dare to blatantly voice out their opinion. After all, Li Ping was not only one of their Old Ancestors, he was also the Blissful Sect's top powerhouse; a formidable Ten Directions Celestial Duke!

In the end, the Blissful Sect could only wait for Ji Fan's Communication Celestial Talisman or his return for now. It did not take long before peace was restored in the sect. Little did they know, it was only the calm before the storm.

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In just a blink of an eye, a few months had passed. The distance between the Cross Region and the Wasteland was far longer compared to the distance between the Wasteland and the Barren Land. Under Tie Tai He's lead, after a long and arduous journey, they finally arrived in the Cross Region.

About a month after they arrived in the Cross region...

Swoosh!

Duan Ling Tian was sitting cross-legged as a bright golden light suddenly shot out from his body, and a loud noise rang in the air.

Tie Tai He and Ji Fan instinctively turned to look. They saw the golden light surrounding Duan Ling Tian like a halo before it morphed into the silhouette of a Buddha. The golden Buddha was the size of a hill, and it was like a hologram with realistic features as it shrouded Duan Ling Tian.

"H-he managed to completely master the Immobilization King Method in such a short amount of time?" Ji Fan whispered in disbelief, gulping. As the Arhat of the Blissful Sect, he had comprehended the Immobilization King Method since he was young so he had already mastered it. Hence, he could tell Duan Ling Tian had completely mastered the Blissful Sect's Duke Grade Celestial Method, the Immobilization King Method!

‘Master Duan has mastered the Blissful Sect’s Celestial Method?’ Tie Tai He thought to himself as he raised an eyebrow. Although Ji Fan had spoken softly, his words did not escape Tie Tai He’s keen ears. However, he was only slightly surprised that Duan Ling Tian had successfully mastered the Celestial Method. After all, Duan Ling Tian had mastered the Duke Grade Divine Ability he gained from the Profound Heaven Celestial Sect, the Eastern Purple Qi, before they even left the Tai Yi Celestial Sect for the Cross Region. His expression turned slightly gloomy as he thought to himself with a wry smile, ‘Now that Master Duan has mastered the Eastern Purple Qi and the Immobilization King Method, it’s likely that he’ll leave once we return to the sect...’ He felt conflicted. He was happy that Duan Ling Tian had finally mastered the Celestial Method and Divine Ability, but he was sad because it meant Duan Ling Tian would be leaving soon.

After the silhouette of the golden Buddha disappeared, Duan Ling Tian slowly opened his eyes before he asked, “Elder Tie, where are we now?”

“Master Duan, we’re in the Cross Region... According to the Arhat, we’ll arrive at the Blissful Sect’s estate within a month with our current speed,” Tie Tai He replied.

“One more month.” Duan Ling Tian nodded slightly.

Chapter 2900: Arrived at The Blissful Sect’s Estate

“Congratulations, Master Duan. You’ve finally mastered the Duke Grade Celestial Method, the Immobilization King Method.” Tie Tai He, the Supreme Elder of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, congratulated Duan Ling Tian as he looked at him with a wide grin.

“Elder Tie, you’re able to tell that I’ve mastered it?” Duan Ling Tian looked rather surprised.

“No, I can’t... But, the Arhat can,” Tie Tai He replied.

Duan Ling Tian instinctively looked at Ji Fan, the Arhat of the Blissful Sect. His gaze that was similar to a hunter looking at its prey caused Ji Fan to shudder. Then, he shifted his gaze to Huan’er and extended his Divine Consciousness to check on her condition. The level of one’s Divine Consciousness was similar to one’s soul. Therefore, with the Divine Consciousness of a Ten Directions Celestial King, it was easy for him to see that Huan’er had fully recovered from her injuries and was currently in the midst of comprehending her Celestial Method and Divine Ability.

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Almost a month passed by quickly. There were only a few days left before they arrived at the Blissful Sect’s estate.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian stopped cultivating and looked at Tie Tai He before he said, “Elder Tie, once you send us to the Blissful Sect’s estate, your job here is done.” Before Tie Tai He could reply, he added again, “I don’t want the Tai Yi Celestial Sect to be involved in this matter. You understand what I mean, don’t you?” He looked at Tie Tai He meaningfully as he spoke.

“Master Duan, I understand you don’t wish to trouble the Tai Yi Celestial Sect because of your public identity as our Chief Celestial Alchemist... Rest assured, Master Duan, the Blissful Sect won’t dare to

harm us even if you act with the identity of the Chief Celestial Alchemist of the Tai Yi Celestial Sect and cause a commotion in the Blissful Sect,” Tie Tai He said confidently.

“Cause a commotion in the Blissful Sect?” Duan Ling Tian’s eyes flashed coldly when he heard Tie Tai He’s words. He shook his head and said with a cold smirk, “I’m going to annihilate the Blissful Sect! If things go according to plan, after I’m done, the Blissful Sect will no longer exist in the borderlands of the Southern Heaven Territory!”

Tie Tai He inhaled sharply. A hint of panic could be seen in his eyes as he looked at Duan Ling Tian. When Duan Ling Tian asked to be brought to the Blissful Sect’s estate, he thought Duan Ling Tian was only going to stir up a commotion. He did not expect that Duan Ling Tian intended to annihilate the Blissful Sect!

Ji Fan shared the same thought as Tie Tai He. Panic set in and his face turned ashen when he learned of Duan Ling Tian’s intention. He knew he would not be able to escape if that was Duan Ling Tian’s intention. Various thoughts flitted through his mind as his expression changed drastically. Finally, he made up his mind with much determination and said through gritted teeth, “Master Duan, I’ve decided to sever all ties with the Blissful Sect. I’ll officially announce my decision to the people of the Blissful Sect immediately once we arrive!”

“You’re smart, Arhat.” Duan Ling Tian was slightly taken aback by Ji Fan’s sudden decision. “If you’re determined and keep your words, I’ll be willing to forget the enmity between us!” He had never had a good impression of Ji Fan. However, Ji Fan’s determination to live and decisiveness to give up his position as the future Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect made his regard for Ji Fan slightly rise. It was not easy to give up on power and status after all.

“Thank you, Master Duan!” Ji Fan replied before heaving a sigh of relief. Then, he looked at Duan Ling Tian and tentatively asked, “Master Duan, did you plan to kill me after we arrived at the Blissful Sect?”

“It did cross my mind,” Duan Ling Tian bluntly said.

Duan Ling Tian’s words sent chills running up Ji Fan’s spine. It further deepened his resolve to cut ties with the Blissful Sect. As he looked in the direction where the Blissful Sect’s estate was located, he thought to himself, ‘Master, I’m sorry... I have to betray the sect for the sake of my puny life.’ His master was none other than Liu Xuan Kong, the Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect. ‘Master, please don’t blame me... Whoever was sent by the sect to investigate Duan Ling Tian should be blamed instead. The Old Ancestor wouldn’t have died, and the sect wouldn’t have fallen into this situation if they didn’t say that Duan Ling Tian’s a mere transcender, and we’re free to do whatever we want to him.’ Then, he became immersed in his thoughts about the future and finding a new path to walk on after leaving the Blissful Sect.

At this moment, a thought appeared unbidden in Duan Ling Tian’s mind. He looked at Ji Fan and called out, “Arhat.”

“Master Duan, from now on, you can just call me Ji Fan... Since I’ve decided to sever ties with the Blissful Sect, I’m no longer the Arhat of the Blissful Sect,” Ji Fan said with a bitter smile. Then, he asked, “Is something the matter, Master Duan?”

“You must possess a Duke Grade Floating Image Pearl, right?” Duan Ling Tian asked.

“Yes,” Ji Fan replied honestly as he nodded.

“When we arrive at the Blissful Sect, remember to use your Floating Image Pearl to record the scene when your Ten Directions Celestial Duke attacks. I’ll need it later.”

“Yes, Master Duan,” Ji Fan courteously replied, “Master Duan, the Ten Directions Celestial Duke is my senior granduncle. He’s my grandmaster’s paternal cousin... I know a thing or two about him, including his expertise... Should I tell you more about him?” He was, naturally, doing this to curry favor with Duan Ling Tian. Alas, he was unsuccessful in his attempt.

Duan Ling Tian shook his head and confidently replied with a hint of contempt, “I have no need for such information. A mere Ten Directions Celestial Duke is nothing!”

After witnessing Duan Ling Tian’s display of strength when they were at the Tai Yi Celestial Sect, Ji Fan and Tie Tai He thought Duan Ling Tian’s arrogance was justified.

“I beg your pardon for interjecting... Indeed, Master Duan’s right. With your strength, a mere Ten Directions Celestial Duke’s not a concern at all.” Ji Fan immediately agreed with Duan Ling Tian.

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A few days later.

“Master Duan, the Blissful Sect estate is not far away now!” Ji Fan said to Duan Ling Tian as he pointed toward the lofty mountains shrouded in mist.

Duan Ling Tian nodded in response before he looked at Huan’er who was in the midst of comprehending her Celestial Method and Divine Ability. It seemed like she would not wake up for quite some while.

“Elder Tie, please stay here and take care of Huan’er for me. I’ll be right back after I deal with the Blissful Sect. My Divine Consciousness will always be able to sense you so rest assured, you’re safe here,” Duan Ling Tian said to Tie Tai He.

“Yes, Master Duan,” Tie Tai He said. In fact, he really wanted to witness Duan Ling Tian annihilating the Blissful Sect. Alas, he could only comply with Duan Ling Tian’s request. Previously, he had treated Duan Ling Tian as an equal and a friend. However, things had subtly changed since he witnessed Duan Ling Tian’s strength that was comparable to a Celestial King. At this moment, he had regarded Duan Ling Tian as being superior to him, and he genuinely respected Duan Ling Tian.

“Show me the way, Ji Fan.”

Under Tie Tai He’s watchful eyes, Duan Ling Tian and Ji Fan flew in the air toward the misty mountains. Although there were many Formations protecting the lofty mountains, they did not pose any difficulty to Ji Fan at all. He easily bypassed them. Soon enough, they arrived in the Blissful Sect’s estate.

“Who goes there?!” A few disciples from the Blissful Sect descended from the sky and approached them. When they saw Ji Fan, they hastily bowed down in unison and greeted him. “Greetings, Arhat!”

Ji Fan was the Arhat of the Blissful Sect. The successor of the Sect Leader of the Blissful Sect. It was only natural that most people respected him since his status was only below a few people in the sect.

Boom!

Ji Fan did not reply and raised his hand to mobilize his Celestial Origin Energy that surged into the sky like a hurricane. Shadows in the shape of a palm rained down and struck the disciples, killing them instantly.

Meanwhile, a new group of disciples from the Blissful Sect who had just arrived and was about to greet Ji Fan witnessed this scene. They were frightened, shocked, and confused as they recalled the scene where Ji Fan killed their fellow disciples.

“Isn’t that the Arhat?”

“Why did the Arhat kill the sect’s disciples? They were bowing and greeting him, weren’t they?”

Swoosh!

Under the disciples’ watchful eyes, Ji Fan flew directly above the Blissful Sect estate and announced in a loud voice, “I, Ji Fan, hereby announce that from today onward, I’m severing all ties with the Blissful Sect. I’m no longer the Arhat nor a disciple of the Blissful Sect!” His voice that had been injected with his Celestial Origin Energy resonated throughout the Blissful Sect’s estate.