

### **Chapter 331: Insider Information About The Daynight Clan**

Dozens of explosions rung out from deep underground, causing many faces to change. Lu Yin's right hand used the Cosmic Art to forcibly stop Tian Hou's vortex from spinning as his own body endured the backlash from the extreme attack. He was sent hurtling underground along with Tian Hou even as an enormous spatial crack descended upon both of them.

The battlefield returned to calmness as smoke pervaded the air.

Everyone was stunned; who had won?

Regardless of whether it was the Astral Combat Tournament or this Tournament of the Strongest, this was a top-notch battle. Even Explorers might not have been able to receive Lu Yin's double-handed strike.

High above the battlefield in the sky, Lilac Snow casually waved a hand to disperse the dust; she wanted to know the results as well.

When the air was cleared, a figure gripping his knees with both hands and wheezing desperately was revealed. He then raised his head; it was Lu Yin.

Everyone looked around, but Tian Hou had vanished.

"The Tournament of the Strongest's final round. Victor: Lu Yin."

The Astral Combat Academy mentor announced the results, and they astounded everyone.

Everyone was momentarily dazed, and then many students started to cheer. Lu Yin had won, which represented victory for the Human Domain.

Wu Da hollered excitedly.

All of the students from Astral-10 were moved. Big Pao, Little Pao, Coco, and the rest were all cheering wildly.

Starsibyl gazed at Lu Yin with gleaming eyes; her divination had been correct. No one had even considered the fact that Lu Yin might win before the start of the Tournament of the Strongest. Even right before the final match was held, his given chances of winning were worse than one in a hundred. However, Lu Yin had won, which meant that Starsibyl's divination had been successful. Now, she knew which path to take in the future.

Everyone on Zenyu Star was cheering as well, and even those regular citizens who could not understand the battle could tell how challenging it had been. Even Huo Qingshan and the other Hunters had been stirred by this match.

Xueshan Auna also looked at the youth on his screen who was having trouble standing up. He then looked at his gadget and his gaze gradually grew firm. It seemed as though he had resolved himself to a decision.

In the Cosmic Sea, on a warship that released such a tremendous aura that even the great sea was forced to acknowledge its allegiance, a thunderous laugh was heard. It made the Cosmic Sea flare up, and multiple powerhouses flew away in their individual spacecraft to rise high into the sky. "Captain's lost control! Hurry and run!"

"The kid won and captain's too happy. Let him laugh for a while."

"Captain hasn't laughed in a long time, not since she left."

"Shh, don't mention that! Let captain be happy for a bit."

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Within the warship, there were a pair of giant eyes that were filled with delight and excitement. The laughter continued on for quite a while. Then, a giant blade slammed heavily against the hull, causing formless ripples to spread out and the sea to become peaceful again. "All of you, get back here now."

"Yes, captain!" they all replied.

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Atop Astral-10's trial zone mountain, Lu Yin opened his eyes and let out a relaxed breath as he unwound; he had finally won. This battle had been no walk in the park.

"Seventh Bro, you deserve my worship! You're too powerful! You actually beat a Cosmic Hou by yourself!" The Ghost Monkey was exuberant.

Lu Yin grimaced. Actually, the top four finalists in the Tournament of the Strongest were all of roughly equal strength. He had to rely on the Cosmic Art to triumph over Tian Hou, or else he would have stood no chance at all. If his opponent had been Starsibyl, he might not have won either. It could only be said that Tian Hou had helped Lu Yin by removing his worst match-up, though he had coincidentally ended up becoming Lu Yin's opponent.

Even so, the degree of difficulty of the last battle had exceeded Lu Yin's imagination. He had thought that the strengthening fruit would allow his physique to become unparalleled, but that line of thinking had been too simplistic.

However, there was still some lingering pain from the fruit. Fortunately, he had strengthened his body again, or else he really would not have been able to endure Tian Hou's attacks. As it was, he had only barely outlasted Tian Hou.

"Seventh Bro, how did you manage to attack Tian Hou's body? His vortex should push his endurance to terrifying levels, and logically, you shouldn't be able to overcome it," the monkey asked curiously.

Lu Yin did not bother responding since the other Astral-10 students around him had all opened their eyes.

"Brother Lu, you're too awesome!" Coco was the first to run over and congratulate him.

"Junior, congratulations. You've become really famous throughout the universe, and not just within the Human Domain," Little Pao said with a smile.

The others congratulated him in turns.

Lu Yin smiled. "Luck, it was just luck."

"Luck can't beat Tian Hou," Xia Luo gently refuted.

Lulu grimaced. "Our disparity is growing bigger. It's annoying. No, I have to return home. I have to train."

Meng Yue nodded approvingly. He was also going to return to Vastdearth Sect to see if there was some way for him to improve his strength.

Michelle gazed at Lu Yin with a complicated expression. When she had first arrived at Astral-10, she had planned on nitpicking at things until she was able to crack down on the academy with the regulations on her side. Yet, as time passed, she had begun to acknowledge Astral-10 in her heart, especially since someone so powerful had emerged right besides her. This person was truly a Ten Arbiters' candidate at this moment.

The others offered their congratulations and left, as they could tell that Lu Yin was exhausted.

Schutz walked up to Lu Yin. "How's the Great Yu Empire doing?"

"It's alright, but you should return to take a look and help me reorganize the Yu Academy."

Schutz considered the idea and then nodded. "Alright."

Schutz was a top expert of the Great Yu Empire's current younger generation. After spending this period of time in the Astral Combat Academy, his power could no longer be measured by the Outerverse's standards. Even in the Astral Combat Academy, he was above average and could be considered to be at the standard of the Inniverse's younger generation's elite. He was much stronger than those from the same generation in the Great Yu Empire. With his current power, he could defeat Gerbach in just two strikes.

As he watched Schutz leave, Lu Yin suddenly wondered if he should bring the Great Yu Empire's young elites to Astral-10. He should think of a way to do so.

There were two other figures on the trial zone mountain who had not left yet. One was Darkvoid, and the other was Hui Daynight.

Of Astral-10's students, Darkvoid was reclusive, Michelle proud, Zhao Yilong apathetic, and then there was Hui Daynight. Lu Yin did not know how to deal with this person; although he had been arrogant from the very beginning, he had never shown Lu Yin any ill will. Hui Daynight tended to be provocative, but he had also been smashed rather miserably by Lu Yin.

When Nightqueen Yanqing had appealed for the Daynight clan experts to deal with Lu Yin, Hui Daynight had not made an appearance. Now, Hui Daynight had no support from either side; the Daynight clan did not accept him, and neither could he get along with those from Astral-10. Hence, he could not mingle with either group.

Lu Yin was looking at Hui Daynight when he suddenly opened his eyes and looked back at Lu Yin. He stood up to leave the trial zone mountain, not saying a word at all.

Lu Yin suddenly said, "Could you tell me something about the Daynight clan?"

Hui Daynight did not even turn around. "What do you want to know?"

"The Sealed Cage Technique," Lu Yin said. This term made Hui Daynight's face change dramatically, and he whirled around to face Lu Yin with a stunned expression. "How do you know about that?"

Lu Yin squinted. How did he know? He had heard a dazed Zhuo Daynight mention the term a few times, but he could tell that it was nothing good. "Could you tell me more about it?"

Hui Daynight's eyes flickered, and he stared at Lu Yin's eyes as if trying to discern something. After a brief moment, he shifted his gaze away, and his face regained its indifference. "It's top secret clan information. It can't be shared with outsiders." And with that, he left.

Lu Yin fell deep into thought.

"Seventh Bro, do you want to know about the Sealed Cage Technique?" the monkey tentatively offered.

Lu Yin's brows jumped up. "You know about it?"

The Ghost Monkey was pleased with itself. "Of course! Many of the ancestors have records about it. After all, the Daynight clan is not a small family, so there are many records related to them."

"Tell me more."

The monkey laughed mischievously, "Sure, but you must promise to never screen me off again."

"I promise," Lu Yin immediately agreed.

The Ghost Monkey was stumped, and his reply was a bit slow. "What was that? Come again, Seventh Bro?"

"I said that I promise," Lu Yin said quietly.

The monkey fell silent for a moment before saying, "Seventh Bro, that's not very sincere. You've got to be lying."

"You don't trust me?" Lu Yin's tone took a downturn.

The monkey felt helpless; the script had deviated from its expectations, and Lu Yin's agreement had been too straightforward. It was something that he simply couldn't believe. However, since Lu Yin had already agreed, the monkey could only continue, so he dejectedly said, "Alright, I'll believe you for now."

He then coughed twice and explained, "The so-called 'Sealed Cage Technique' is the method that the Nightking bloodline of the Daynight clan uses to restrain the Dayking bloodline. In ancient times, there were two 'king' tribes that ruled over the Daynight clan: the Dayking bloodline and the Nightking bloodline. But for some reason, the Dayking bloodline experts suffered a disaster, and the Nightking bloodline reacted ruthlessly. They created this Sealed Cage Technique to control all of the Dayking

bloodline descendants. It's a malevolent form of control, and it's said that this technique can even control one's life and death.

"Every Nightking clan descendant will be given control over a considerable number of Daynight disciples. A more accurate term would be 'slaves,' and this is the reason why the Nightking bloodline has always been elevated so highly, because of this Sealed Cage Technique. This is also why the Daynight clan holds itself separate and acts decisively to intimidate the entire universe."

"Can the Sealed Cage Technique ever be removed?" Lu Yin asked, as he thought of Zhuo Daynight's pale, helpless face.

"Of course, as there are many benevolent people who have emerged among the Nightking Clan throughout the years who have taken the initiative to remove the Sealed Cage Technique from their slaves, but many people are still controlled. From my perspective, that Hui Daynight is probably a descendant of the Dayking bloodline, and he is most likely being controlled by the Sealed Cage Technique. Otherwise, he definitely would not have rejected that battle between you and Nightqueen Yanqing."

Lu Yin never expected that the Daynight clan would have such a ruthless method of manipulation. "Is this Sealed Cage Technique a type of battle technique?"

"Don't worry about that. The Sealed Cage Technique can only affect those with the Dayking bloodline, which is why many people avoid even mentioning the Nightking Clan. In order to gain control of their own clan, they created a special bloodline enslavement technique. It's rather sinister, but it's useless against anyone else."

Lu Yin felt like he had gained a deeper understanding of the Daynight clan, or rather, of the Nightking clan. He truly detested the core nature of this clan.

"Right, what of the Daynight clan itself?" Lu Yin asked curiously.

"I don't know about that. According to some records, the Daynight clan had two extreme powerhouses: the Dayking and the Nightking. The two of them gave birth to the Dayking bloodline and the Nightking body while the rest should be considered in-between."

At that moment, Little Pao entered the trial zone mountain again. "Junior, Old Cai is calling for you."

Lu Yin nodded and immediately left the trial zone mountain.

Not long later, Lu Yin met with Old Cai in the treasury. The treasurer sized him up and down and marvelled, "Kid, you're not too bad to have reached this step."

"It's all thanks to Mentor's teachings," Lu Yin flattered.

Old Cai rolled his eyes. "Brown-noser."

Lu Yin gave a wry smile.

"Alright, there's a few matters that I want to discuss. First, someone wants to ask about Tian Hou's abilities. Secondly, it's about the reward. You'll receive the rewards of being the champion of both the Astral Combat Tournament and the Tournament of the Strongest."

Lu Yin's eyes gleamed. "Rewards? How much money?"

Old Cai was speechless. "Kid, you're too much of a money-grubber."

Lu Yin grew embarrassed, but he could not be blamed. His power was directly linked to his wealth. The richer he was, the faster he could improve his strength.

"Let's talk about that Tian Hou's abilities first," Old Cai said solemnly.

### **Chapter 332: All Kinds Of Privileges**

Lu Yin nodded. Tian Hou was a legend, so its abilities would naturally arouse many's curiosities. It was very normal for the upper echelons of the Human Domain to want to know more. "First of all, the nature of a Cosmic Hou's strength is not to dissolve but rather to devour. He possesses an attack that can swallow everything, they can merge with the void, and they can even devour human emotions..."

It didn't take long for Lu Yin to clearly describe Tian Hou's strengths and abilities, and everything caused Old Cai to grow solemn. At the end, he asked in a stunned manner, "Devouring emotions... How did you withstand that?"

Lu Yin shrugged before responding, "Every domain is special. I previously comprehended the bloodlust of the battlefield at the Heavenly Drum, and I used the mettle of a seasoned veteran who was unafraid of death to battle against Tian Hou."

Old Cai evidently did not believe him, but he did not question him any further either. Everyone had their own destiny, and Lu Yin's seemed especially unique. Old Cai recalled that Lu Yin was also immune to the Third Sword of the Thirteen Swords and that he had been targeted by the Daynight Clan because of that matter. There was nothing strange about the kid being immune to Tian Hou's ability to devour emotions. It could also be related to his constitution, as despite everything, Tian Hou was still just a Limiteer.

"Alright, the reward's next," Old Cai exclaimed, "Kid, if I must say something good about you, it's that your luck is too good."

Lu Yin was caught off guard by this comment.

Old Cai's lips quirked up. "Use your gadget and check out the information about yourself."

Puzzled, Lu Yin activated his gadget, and keyed in his own name. A page appeared that he had never seen before, and it listed all of the information about his identity.

Lu Yin stared at the new page in shock. He quickly saw that it didn't only list his preexisting statuses, but there was also new information and even... privileges.

Entitled to freely enter the Inniverse.

Entitled to freely enter the Hall of Honor.

Entitled to be accepted into the Neoverse.

Entitled..

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A series of entitlements dazzled Lu Yin. Everything listed here was his privilege.

“Old Cai, what is this?” Lu Yin was stunned.

Old Cai marvelled, “Your Honor Points have changed as well. You now have two.”

Lu Yin looked next to his name and saw that his Honor Points had indeed risen from one to two. Someone had once told him that there was a world of difference between having one and having two Honor Points. Now, Lu Yin understood what that person had meant.

With this second Honor Point, he now had countless new privileges, many of which were difficult even for space-exploring powerhouses to achieve.

Just the privilege of being able to enter the Inniverse as he wished was enough to make many space-exploring powerhouses envious. It should be known that even they often found it difficult to enter the Inniverse, and some even had to toss their dignity aside and curry favor with the Astral River Flowzone Envoy. But now, Lu Yin had gained this privilege, and with it, even the Astral River Flowzone Envoy would not dare to obstruct him no matter how bold he may be.

Even if he killed the Flowzone Envoy’s son, he would still be able to safely enter the Inniverse, and the Astral River Flowzone Envoy would even have to guarantee his safety while doing so.

This was the privilege he had earned, and there was a huge pile of other, similar privileges.

“Your status has been rebuilt and even been made confidential. In other words, it won’t be as easy for others to find out information about you.”

Lu Yin was moved. “Mentor, why did I get one more Honor Point?”

“You represented the Human Domain and defeated both the Astral Beast Domain and the Technocracy, not to mention your feat of defeating a legend. Giving you one Honor Point is not overboard, and this was directly granted to you by the Hall of Honor and not applied for by someone else. Kid, you are very lucky, as you have already entered the Hall of Honor’s sight.”

Lu Yin’s face twisted as he was not ecstatic. Rather his heart sank low. The Ghost Monkey had just informed him, “Seventh Bro, congratulations. You are now on the Celestial Vanquisher’s List.”

“Old Cai, have you heard of the Celestial Vanquisher’s List?” Lu Yin asked nervously.

The old mentor nodded and his previously surprised gaze turned to a sympathetic one. “Yes.”

“What do you think?”

“There’s no need to think. You’re definitely on it. Although your ranking shouldn’t be too high, you’re definitely on the Astral Beast Domain’s hit list.”

Lu Yin had no other words. “For sure?”

“Absolutely. Kid, the importance of the Honor Points awarded by the Human Domain is directly proportional to the Astral Beast Domain’s desire to kill you.”

Lu Yin's heart sank, and his expression turned ugly.

"Don't be too discouraged. After this competition, there will be a short period of peace between our two astral domains. Thus, even if they try to assassinate you during this period, they won't send any real experts after you, so you should be fine," Old Cai consoled.

Lu Yin felt helpless, but he could only do as Old Cai had suggested.

"Besides the Honor Point, you also have some other rewards," Old Cai continued. "One technique and one harmless, intermediate level sourcebox."

Lu Yin was shocked. "There's even a harmless, intermediate level sourcebox?"

"The previous sourcebox was sponsored by the Nalan family while this one was donated by the Technocracy. This technique is from the Astral Beast Domain and is called the Jade Meditation Technique."

"Jade Meditation Technique?" Lu Yin was curious.

"These two items are not here at Astral-10 and have to be delivered. However, the technique won't be very useful to you since it's used to help people comprehend a domain. As you already have one, it's pointless to try to learn another one."

Lu Yin nodded. Three rewards from three great astral domains. Fair enough.

"Alright, you can go and wait for your rewards to be delivered. Right, kid, where's the personal spacecraft that the school previously lent to you?" Old Cai suddenly asked in a stern tone.

Lu Yin felt embarrassed since he had left it in the Great Yu Empire. "Rest assured, Mentor. I'll bring it back next time."

"Hmph, that's academy property. If you don't return it, then prepare to pay for it," Old Cai threatened in an attempt to scare him.

Not long after Lu Yin seized the championship, there was a great development at the boundary of the Erudite Flowzone. A youth descended and waved his hand to take away the frontier commander, Shui Chuanxiao, who was then labelled a traitor to humanity.

"The Human Domain Erudite Flowzone frontier commander Shui Chuanxiao has colluded with foreign tribes to betray his native race, causing the Endless Weave to be defeated. He has been convicted of this heinous crime and will be detained at Gaia's Swamp for ten thousand years."

Countless were stupefied by this news. Shui Chuanxiao had been the border commander at the Human Domain's Erudite Flowzone and was heralded as the greatest strategic mind in history. His contributions were innumerable, and he had more than ten Honor Points. He was someone who stood at the peak of humanity, and yet, he had been casually detained, leaving many in disbelief.

At the border of the Erudite Flowzone, the moment Shui Chuanxiao was captured, countless soldiers rebelled and stared furiously at the youth.



“Who are you? How can you just arrest the commander?” a Cruiser barked, causing the skies to rumble.

The youth turned back and smiled faintly. “Nightking... Zhenwu.”

The heavens fell silent as everyone looked at the youth in a daze. He was one of the humans’ Ten Arbiters, Nightking Zhenwu.

En Ya clenched her fists and stared at him. When did the Ten Arbiters gain the authority to intervene in the border warfront? Was this paramount power entrusted to them by the Hall of Honor? Those ten freaks were climbing higher and higher.

News of the development at the Erudite Flowzone’s border quickly spread. Shui Chuanxiao was no ordinary person, and the interests of countless individuals and clans would be harmed if something happened to him. Regardless of his capability, his position was supported by many. And with his arrest, there would be drastic changes to many powers, and the entire structure of authority in the Human Domain would change to some degree.

Even more stunning was that one of the Ten Arbiters had appeared to capture Shui Chuanxiao. Logically, such an action should have been carried out by the Interstellar Arbitrators, a subsidiary organization of the Hall of Honor. However, one of the Ten Arbiters had actually personally intervened, and it had been Nightking Zhenwu at that. This detail caused many to consider what it might represent; was someone influential in the Hall of Honor leaning towards the Daynight clan?

Lu Yin similarly learned of Shui Chuanxiao’s arrest since his new privileges allowed him to receive the notification immediately. He was astonished; had Shui Chuanxiao really betrayed humanity? How was that possible? He was the border commander! Or was he from the Neohuman Alliance as well?!

Lu Yin did not really believe that conspiracy theory. Even though he had not spent much time interacting with Shui Chuanxiao, that person couldn’t be someone from the Neohuman Alliance. Besides, with his position, there was no need for him to betray humanity.

Lu Yin rubbed his temples as this news was just too staggering. However, it had nothing to do with him since he did not qualify to intervene in such matters at this time. What he cared about more was that Nightking Zhenwu was actually the one who had captured Shui Chuanxiao, which made Lu Yin worry that Nightking Zhenwu might intervene in the border warfront now. If that happened, then Nightking Zhenwu’s influence would expand boundlessly. With the support of his Daynight clan, there would be no one left in the universe to contest him.

As the frontier commander, Shui Chuanxiao’s duties had been extremely important, and yet, he had been easily captured. This meant that the humans’ negotiation with the Astral Beast Domain and the Technocracy had ended and that the three sides were now in a temporary truce.

A few days later, in the emptiness of outer space, the white bone spacecraft began flying back towards the Astral Beast Domain. Atop the roof, Lilac Snow was leisurely lying down, occasionally looking down at Tian Hou as if waiting for something.

Feng Jiu and the rest also occasionally glanced at Tian Hou.

After a while, Tian Hou looked up. “Master said that we can directly return.”

Lilac Snow relaxed, as the pressure of her responsibilities was very great. Tian Hou's identity had been exposed, and now, countless people in the Human Domain wanted to kill him. There were too many hidden experts here, and she was not confident that she could repel all of them. It was better to return quickly.

Tian Hou lowered his head and seemed to be lost in contemplation. He had not once considered encountering failure in this trip to the Human Domain, and now, his defeat was an indelible event. He had been pushed to his utmost limits but had still lost. The legends about the Cosmic Hou's invincibility had been shattered in his generation, and he was unable to accept this result.

Feng Jiu walked next to Tian Hou. "Did Teacher criticize you?"

Tian Hou was downcast. "No."

Fury flashed in Feng Jiu's eyes. "Although a temporary truce was established, battle will soon return. We'll definitely meet Lu Yin on the battlefield before long, and the outcome of that battle is still unknown."

Tian Hou's eyes trembled. There were no rules on the battlefield—there was only life and death. He would redeem his lost honor there.

Embermane and Hua Yishou exchanged glances that held a lingering fear. Fortunately, they had not fought against that perverted human who had even defeated Tian Hou. Truth be told, even they had not known that Tian Hou was the legendary Cosmic Hou, so the shock that Tian Hou had given them was even greater than what the humans had felt. Because of a Cosmic Hou's reputation within the Astral Beast Domain, Lu Yin's victory had been even more shocking to the astral beasts than it had been within the Human Domain. Lu Yin's ranking on the Celestial Vanquisher's List was not as low as he believed. Even if he was just a mere Limiteer, he had still defeated a Cosmic Hou.

In the other direction, the participants from the Technocracy also left the Human Domain.

Yun stroked Yar Patar's head while the battle against Lu Yin kept floating up in her mind. She felt that it was strange. She should not have any opponents within the same realm as her given the power that she possessed. Even that Tian Hou who could endure unimaginable attacks would have been suppressed by her strength. So what was the deal with Lu Yin? Her own strength had not seemed to oppress him one bit; it was very strange...

### **Chapter 333: Borrowing Money Once Again**

Back in Astral-10, Lu Yin felt a headache coming on. Madam Nalan had told him that she would be leaving soon, but he still owed her a large sum of money. He truly did not want to be in debt to her, but he had no money to pay her back with.

At the space station, Madam Nalan pursed her lips, her eyes betraying her amusement as she looked at Lu Yin. "Student Lu, you don't have to be in such a rush to return the money to me."

Lu Yin felt embarrassed. He was indeed anxious, but he had no money to speak of. "Madam, I'll return it as soon as I have the money."

She smiled. "Very well, I'll wait for you."

At that moment, Lu Yin received a notification that caused his eyes to gleam. He immediately stopped Madam Nalan. "Madam, would the Nalan family perhaps be interested in buying a technique?"

She was surprised. "Do you have a technique you wish to sell?"

Lu Yin nodded. "The Jade Meditation Technique can help one comprehend a domain. The Astral Beast Domain supplied this reward for the champion of the Tournament of the Strongest."

Her eyes brightened. "Since this technique can aid one in comprehending a domain and was supplied by the Astral Beast Domain, it definitely won't be cheap. Alright, our Nalan family will buy it. How much are you willing to sell it for?"

Lu Yin's expression turned serious. "How much is it worth?"

She laughed. "Student Lu, you must not understand the value of a domain. If this technique can truly aid the user in comprehending a domain, then even if the success rate is low, it is still valuable beyond measure. Let's just say that this technique is worth more than what I've lent you."

"Since that's the case, then I'll offer this technique as a gift to madam."

She was taken aback. "Student Lu, consider this matter very carefully. This technique is definitely worth more than a hundred star essence."

Lu Yin remained serious. "Madam, you have helped me in my time of difficulty, and you have even saved my life on two occasions. This technique is not enough to repay your acts of kindness, and so, I can only do this to show my sincerity."

Her enticing eyes focused on Lu Yin for a moment, and then she smiled. "Very well, the Nalan family will accept your sincerity."

Lu Yin shook his head. "No, this is not for the Nalan family but rather for Madam Nalan. Madam is my savior, and you are also the one who lent me the money."

She nodded. "Alright then. I, Liu Fuxue, will accept your sincerity."

"Please wait a moment, madam. The technique will arrive shortly."

"Then we'll have a glass of wine first. We don't know when we'll meet next after this goodbye," she said as she leisurely stretched her body, her every movement extremely enticing.

Lu Yin immediately shifted his gaze as he nodded. He then stepped onto the Nalan family's spacecraft, following right behind her.

Before long, the Jade Meditation Technique and the Intermediate-level sourcebox were sent over. Lu Yin directly handed the technique to her, not even taking a look at it.

In general, even if the Jade Meditation Technique was useless to a specific person themselves, it was still a rare technique, and as such, it held an inherent attraction to it. However, Lu Yin did not even look at it, which made Madam Nalan's eyes brighten even more. She realized that Lu Yin had a strong virtue; he was very bold. It was to the extent where it far outstripped his age. Perhaps it would be good to cooperate with the Great Yu Empire.

A short while later, after the Nalan family spacecraft left Astral-10, Lu Yin began making preparations to head towards East San Dios when he suddenly received a message from the Outerverse Youth Council network. He had gained access to this network since he had already joined the Outerverse Youth Council.

Outerverse Youth Council member Yan Feng will wed Miss Jenny Auna in twelve days—Bazeer offers his congratulations.

Lu Yin's pupils shrank when he read the message, and his entire face sank as a roaring rage consumed him.

With Yan Feng's status, he did not even come close to having the qualifications to have his marriage announcement be broadcast over the Outerverse Youth Council network. This had to be Bazeer's doing, and he had intentionally done this to provoke Lu Yin. Yan Feng was also openly flaunting the marriage in front of Lu Yin, as the youth from the Firesmelt Planet was fully aware that the Auna family had arranged Jenny Auna to be Lu Yin's fiancée. However, he had still made such a prominent announcement and was clearly trying to provoke Lu Yin.

Since he was the champion of the Tournament of the Strongest, his prestige had spiked. Yan Feng's actions seemed to be an attempt to forcibly suppress Lu Yin's reputation, and this move was like him moving a knife towards Lu Yin's throat.

Although this involved Yan Feng and Bazeer, there must be someone else behind them. If Lu Yin had guessed correctly, then Nightqueen Yanqing or perhaps even Puyu had a hand in this matter. Lu Yin had to analyze the entire situation carefully; he just had too many enemies. One wave crashed into him after another even before the previous one subsided. If he allowed Yan Feng to wed Jenny Auna, then he would become a laughing stock in the near future.

After Lu Yin thought everything through, he realized that he urgently needed to go to East San Dios. He hesitated a moment after realizing that he should have enough time since he had twelve days and then he headed towards the Rain Observatory.

Regardless of everything else, Yan Feng was still a space-exploring powerhouse who was not any weaker than Wendy Yushan as far as innate gifts were concerned. However, even though he had not received the same opportunities that Wendy had, he was heralded as second only to her among the Frostwave Weave's younger generation. He was an elite who could come into contact with the Top Hundred Rankings; otherwise, the Daynight clan never would have pushed him into a member's position.

Given Yan Feng's strength, Lu Yin tentatively estimated him to be about as strong as a Cruiser, but his current power was still insufficient to challenge a Cruiser. He could at most deal with someone like Zi Tie, an Explorer with a power level between 30,000 and 40,000—perhaps even someone who was close to 50,000. Thus, if Lu Yin faced off against a Cruiser, an average one would still be alright, but anyone even a bit stronger than that would be troublesome, and Yan Feng was definitely no pushover.

There was only one way for Lu Yin to challenge a Cruiser: the Overlaying Stacks Path. He had to follow the same path as the Ten Arbiters' Divine Fist and increase his Overlaying Stacks to Thirty Stacks.

The Rainmaster was shocked. "You want to continue deducing Overlaying Stacks?"

Lu Yin nodded seriously. "Mentor, please help me accomplish my goals."

The Rainmaster exclaimed in surprise, "You want to challenge the record left by one of the Ten Arbiters!"

Lu Yin bowed respectfully. "Yes, please assist me."

A rare smile broke out on the mentor's face. "Kid, this means that you're finally approaching the Ten Arbiters' level. You even became the champion of the Tournament of the Strongest. Astral-10 can be considered to be the top academy now, and you've won much glory for us.

"This request isn't excessive. Stretch out your hand."

Lu Yin's breathing turned sluggish, and he excitedly stretched out his left arm.

Just like before, the Rainmaster used a single hand to help Lu Yin deduce the Overlaying Stacks. This time, the number of stacks increased from twenty to twenty five, before finally breaking through to Thirty Stacks.

When the thirtieth stack appeared, the void exploded as this stack held an incomparably terrifying strength.

"Thirty Stacks is no small matter. This really is the upper limit that a Limiteer's body can handle. Even the Divine Fist from the Ten Arbiters was unable to break through this boundary. Kid, know your own limits," the Rainmaster warned.

Lu Yin nodded and then conscientiously took note of the strength of Thirty Stacks. If he had had this power during his previous battle, then it might have been possible for him to forcibly break through Tian Hou's defenses. No, it was definitely possible!

The mentor looked at Lu Yin with shining eyes. "Do you want to know the next limit of the Divine Fist?"

Lu Yin looked up. "Yes please."

The mentor gazed into the distance and paused for a moment before speaking. "Explorer realm: One Hundred Stacks, shattering a planet."

Lu Yin was stunned. "One Hundred Stacks?"

The mentor nodded. "Yes, One Hundred Stacks."

He then looked at Lu Yin. "Do you understand the terror of One Hundred Stacks? One palm is enough to cause even Hunters to be afraid, and even a Hunter might not have the ability to display One Hundred Stacks. This is the level of the Ten Arbiters."

Lu Yin suppressed his shock and bowed again to the mentor. "Student now understands and will take my leave."

The mentor nodded. "Go on. Though remember, advice to you is still the same. Know your own limits."

Lu Yin nodded and then left the Rain Observatory.

The Ten Arbiters had truly made many great achievements. The further Lu Yin progressed along the Overlaying Stacks Path, the more he understood that it became increasingly difficult. It was not as simple as one plus one equals two. The fact that the Divine Fist had displayed One Hundred Stacks as an Explorer was rather perverted. When Lu Yin broke through to become an Explorer, his physical body would transform, but his strength would at most reach the level of Fifty Stacks, not One Hundred Stacks.

It was no wonder why the Ten Arbiters had been able to raise the Youth Council to such heights and were universally known as freaks. The higher he climbed, the more he understood the strength and terror of the Ten Arbiters. They could not be viewed with the same lenses that one used to examine the rest of the younger generation.

However, it was not the time to think about this. Lu Yin's current top priority was to strengthen his physical body.

He had ten star essences left and could upgrade a strengthening fruit to the same level as the last one. But would that be enough? Lu Yin decided that it would not, but he really had no more money.

"Eh? Lu Yin, where are you going?" someone called out as Lulu appeared from nearby.

When he saw Lulu, Lu Yin felt as if she were a huge cash bag running towards him. He had forgotten that there was someone here who was a second generation member of a wealthy family. This girl was from a family whose name was practically synonymous with money: the Mavis Bank. Such a beautiful power...

When Lulu saw Lu Yin's greedy gaze, she unconsciously backed away and vigilantly checked her surroundings. "Lu Yin, what do you want?"

Lu Yin was stumped, but then he regained his senses and awkwardly coughed. "Wait, wha-? Lulu, were you calling me?"

Lulu looked at Lu Yin with a strange expression. "I heard that Silver's gone."

Lu Yin nodded. "Yes, he's gone."

"What happened? Did he die?"

Lu Yin shook his head. "I don't know."

"Wasn't your relationship with him rather good?" Lulu felt that something was off.

Lu Yin was astonished. "Who ever said that?"

"Don't lie! That sly snake only ever treated you differently and always put on that disgusting expression for everyone else. You two's relationship must have been pretty good."

Lu Yin shook his head. "I don't have any relationship with him. Don't talk crap."

He paused a moment and then coughed awkwardly. "Uhh, Lulu, do you have money by any chance? I need to borrow some."

"Damn, Seventh Bro, why do you keep borrowing money? That's a bad habit," the Ghost Monkey shrieked, so loud that it sounded as if he had discovered a new planet.

“Shut up!” Lu Yin angrily barked.

In front of him, Lulu’s brows jumped up in shock. “Lu Yin, who are you telling to shut up?!”

Lu Yin quickly apologized.

Lulu sized him up and down, and then her lips curled up in a mischievous manner. “You want to borrow some money?”

Lu Yin nodded.

“How much?” Lulu asked as she raised her head proudly. When it came to money, she was extremely confident as the Mavis family would never be afraid of that topic. As long as one could name a price, they would be able to pay it.

Lu Yin quickly made some calculations. It required ten star essence to upgrade one strengthening fruit to the next stage. Another level would require about twenty star essence, so he raised three fingers.

Lulu rolled her eyes and felt that this amount was beneath her. “300,000 star crystals?”

“Ten times that.” Lu Yin was a little embarrassed, as it was probably a bit too much. No, it was definitely too much.

Lulu was shocked. “Three million star crystals? Do you even have the ability to pay that much back? Do you realize how much that is? You’re just a student!”

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Lu Yin grew serious. “I will definitely return it. In fact, I borrowed two million star energy crystals before and paid it back just now.”

“Is that so?” Lulu looked at Lu Yin suspiciously. “Come to think of it, you wouldn’t just vanish like that Silver guy, would you? That would make you even more despicable than him, since at least he didn’t borrow any money before taking off.”

Lu Yin was rendered speechless. “I already told you—I’m not friends with Silver. Do you have money or not? You’re probably broke.”

“Broke? What a joke, I’m a Mavis! A Mavis!” Lulu exploded before flamboyantly taking out a purple card. “Go and spend to your heart’s content.”

Lu Yin retrieved it with delight. He had seen this kind of card before, and he knew that it only stored star essence. It looked like this woman was rich indeed.

“Thank you! How much is inside?” Lu Yin was ecstatic.

Lulu smiled and proudly raised her head, “Forty star essences.”

Lu Yin’s eyes gleamed, “Thank you.”

“What are you thanking me for? This isn’t a free loan.” Lulu then craftily looked at Lu Yin. “There’s interest on this loan.”

Lu Yin grimaced. "Right, you represent the Mavis Bank, and a bank must collect interest. How much?"

Lulu's face turned serious. "I want to inspect the Great Yu Empire's imperial palace."

Lu Yin's eyes instantly turned sharp. "What?"

Lulu activated her gadget and showed Lu Yin her screen. "This is an official document detailing Undying Yushan's loan from the Mavis Bank. Because of this loan, he gained the ability to seize thirteen regions. Additionally, it clearly states he would repay the loan in installments. If he fails to repay it, then the lives of all Yushan descendants would be forfeited."

Lu Yin studied the document seriously. It was indeed valid proof.

"There're many risks associated with being a creditor, so we set the lives of the Yushan family's descendants as collateral. But now, the entire Yushan Family has been wiped out, and this loan has defaulted. So, the family elders have asked me to think of a way to resolve this matter since this loan is no small sum, either. Lu Yin, this is my mission."

Lu Yin frowned. "You mentioned the initial conditions of your loan and that the Yushan Family would repay it. However, now that the Yushan family has vanished, the Mavis Bank's agreement has been broken. In other words, since the conditions have not been met, this defaulted loan is no longer valid."

Lulu was helpless. "Yes, no one can force a dead person to repay their debts. Hence, my mission. Lu Yin, if you help me complete my mission, I can lend you even more money."

Lu Yin grimaced. "The Great Yu Empire's economy is declining, and there's no spare money to repay you."

"We don't need money, and the mission doesn't require the repayment to be made with money. Of course, you won't be able to repay it in any case, so it's just for show."

Lu Yin's eyes flashed. "So you want to inspect the Great Yu Empire's imperial palace?"

Lulu nodded. "We've checked all of the Great Yu Empire's Yushan family's various assets, except for the palace. As long as we can verify that the Yushan family has nothing that can be used to repay us, that'll be enough."

Lu Yin sniggered internally since yet another organization had come forward to probe the Court of Seven Names. If Lulu had not mentioned it, then he would have forgotten about the fact that this Mavis girl had also appeared in the Great Yu Empire at the beginning, just like Silver and Xia Luo. The trio's motives could only have been to investigate the Seven Courts, just through different methods.

Silver had used the violence of the Neohuman Alliance, and the Yushan family's deaths were most likely related to them.

Lu Yin did not know what Xia Luo had done, and he did not even know which power was behind Xia Luo.

The Mavis Bank was behind Lulu, and they had not attracted much attention.



Three people and three methods, but they all shared the common goal of uncovering the Yushan family's secrets. It was a pity that he had already taken away the secret that they were all searching for: the Yu Void Transfer Secret Art. That should be what they were all hoping to find.

"Alright, check whatever you need to, but don't be too blatant about things, or it will make me look bad," Lu Yin straightforwardly replied, since the palace held no further secrets.

Lulu was excited. "Deal! I'll even lend you some more money. Fifty star essences for you, and if you return it early, I won't collect any interest." And with that, she left happily.

Lu Yin smiled subtly. The Mavis family would not find anything in the imperial palace, but shouldn't he hang on to them a while longer? If they became certain that the Great Yu Empire held no secrets, then they would withdraw, which would be a loss to his Great Yu Empire. They would only be useful if they stayed, but how could he hang onto them? That was the key question.

"Seventh Bro, your abilities of borrowing money are almost on par with your battle prowess! Just a few fluffy sentences, and you were able to borrow so much money at no interest. Find someone else, borrow some more, and then you'll be rich!" The monkey laughed oddly.

Lu Yin smiled as well.

The Ghost Monkey was shocked. "Seventh Bro, don't smile. It's horrifying!"

After that exclamation, he was screened off by Lu Yin.

Lu Yin found a quiet place and breathed in deeply. It had only been a few days since he rolled the die, but fortunately he had not rolled it four times. Otherwise, he would not be able to roll it now. Even so, rolling Enhance would be difficult, but he had no choice other than to try. There were only twelve days left, and this wedding could not be allowed to happen.

He mulled things over for a moment and then tapped the die. He watched it spin before unexpectedly stopping at four pips: Timestop.

He entered the frozen space, and Lu Yin became confident. Although it would be an arduous process, he could take his time now and rest for ten days before rolling his die again. With his current wealth, he could roll it many times, and he was bound to get three pips at some point.

It was very painful to roll his die in the Time Stop Space, especially because he had to rest for ten days between each roll and because many of the rolls could not be effectively utilized in the space. It was an endlessly repetitive process of throwing money away that could easily cause one to go insane.

Fortunately, Lu Yin's determination to cultivate was firm.

He did not know how much time passed, but soon enough, he had used up half of a star essence. He estimated that two or three months had gone by before the two light screens finally appeared. He had rolled three pips: Enhance.

Lu Yin let out a sigh as his forehead beaded up with sweat. It was not from fatigue, but rather from suffering. It had been a painful process, but fortunately, he had endured through it.

He took out a strengthening fruit and placed it onto the upper screen and immediately threw ten star essence onto it. The strengthening fruit released a pulsating sound that made Lu Yin feel like energy was circulating throughout his meridians. The void distorted as the fruit instantly reached the previous one's quality. Lu Yin inhaled deeply and threw out another ten star essence. The distortion of the void grew even stronger and the pounding noise became even louder, as if someone's blood was actually circulating. The fruit fell less than halfway through, where it started to vibrate in an odd manner.

Lu Yin paid the vibration no attention; he only cared that the effect seemed to be improving further. He urgently threw out another ten star essence, which meant that he had now used thirty star essence upgrading this fruit.

The degree of its trembling grew stronger, but it was not done yet.

Lu Yin took a deep breath. He ran the numbers and then threw out four more star essence in a miserly manner.

The strengthening fruit was now just a tiny bit away from fully reaching the bottom.

Lu Yin threw another star essence onto the screens.

The strengthening fruit finally landed with a pop as its radiance dwindled. Lu Yin felt that something was strange and moved to pick up the fruit, but then, it suddenly distorted the void and shifted to a nearby location, vibrating the entire time.

Lu Yin was confused; what was going on?

There were ripples that almost looked like flowing blood on the surface of the strengthening fruit, and it continuously twinkled. It seemed as if it was attempting to leave by piercing through the void. However, it was trapped in Lu Yin's Time Stop Space, and the fruit could not escape no matter what it did.

This scene completely stunned Lu Yin. Did this toy just gain sapience?

He had no other option, and he immediately stopped blocking the Ghost Monkey's senses. The monkey sighed. "Seventh Bro, can we just have a chat?"

"Shut up! Look at that plaything." Lu Yin then pointed at the fruit with his left hand.

The monkey casually looked over, but he almost bristled as soon as he saw the fruit. "I'll be damned! A natural treasure that has developed a sense of self-preservation! Seventh Bro, where did you get this? You're lucky enough to even get this?"

"What's the big deal?"

"It's not easy to explain. How should I word it? The origin of all things in the universe-"

"Get to the point!"

"The point is that plants and animals share the same origin. If animals can cultivate, then too so can plants. You should know about this since you've been attacked by some plants. However, most plants'

attacks are instinctive. Some plants live for so long, and although they can't become sapient, they've gone down another path—that of avoiding danger.”

“What does that mean?” Lu Yin was puzzled.

“There's no good explanation. These special plants have gained a certain understanding of the universe after surviving for so many ages and are able to avoid some dangers, which is different from those plants that attack instinctively. With the passage of enough time, these plants can even become intelligent...”

Lu Yin felt like he was understanding less the more the monkey spoke. “Just talk about this thing right in front of us!”

“It's trying to escape! Can't you see? It doesn't want to be eaten by you!” the Ghost Monkey shrieked in frustration.

Lu Yin frowned. “Escape? Are you saying that it's intelligent?”

“It shouldn't be intelligent yet. Given its behavior, it hasn't developed intelligence yet, though it's probably lived for at least over a hundred thousand years. Still, it can avoid danger, and it's really close to becoming intelligent. Seventh Bro, where did you get this thing? Why do I keep seeing you obtaining items that are impossible for the average person to even see?”

Lu Yin casually reached out, and the strengthening fruit tried to distort the void to escape yet again. But in this space, not to mention a fruit, even a Hunter would have to obey Lu Yin.

He grabbed the strengthening fruit, but he did not know if he should eat it. He still remembered the agony that eating the previous one had caused him.

“Can this thing be eaten?” Lu Yin asked.

In a low tone, the monkey replied, “I'm not sure. Usually, only absolute powerhouses can obtain such a natural treasure. I've never seen one before, but it should be possible. Anyway, eating it probably won't kill you.”

Lu Yin thought about it some more; he still had fifteen star essences remaining, and there were two more strengthening fruits left. Thus, he should be able to barely make another one of this level even if he borrowed some more money. Things would be alright as long as he did not die from eating this fruit. He did not hesitate and swallowed it whole in one bite.

An even more intense pain than before engulfed his entire body, and he felt like he was drowning in a flood of fire. The excruciating pain reminded Lu Yin of the Doomsday back on Earth and of the fiery suffering that he had experienced at Liu Shaoge's hands. But at this moment, the pain was even worse than that moment from his memories. His muscles swelled unnaturally, and his veins popped out. The blood in his arteries pumped so fast that his body released a shockwave that affected the void...

With the previous strengthening fruit, Lu Yin had barely been able to endure the pain and participate in a battle. But this time, he could not even walk from the agony.

“Seventh Bro, how do you feel? You won't die, right?” the monkey cried out anxiously.

Lu Yin's eyes were bloodshot, and when his sweat dripped down, it was blasted into nothingness by the shockwaves before the drops could even land. "Can you come out?"

"Yes, of course."

"Then come out."

The next instant, the monkey tattoo on Lu Yin's right arm warped, and a shadow rushed out before taking the form of the Spiritual Academy's Ghost Monkey lord who had once attacked Lu Yin.

Lu Yin grit his teeth as he looked at the monkey. "Attack me."

The Ghost Monkey felt strange. "What?"

"Attack me, quickly!" Lu Yin ordered.

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The Ghost Monkey did not think any further into the situation and swatted at Lu Yin, causing him to fly a dozen meters backwards. Lu Yin let out a breath, as the area that the Monkey had hit lessened in terms of the pain's severity. It was effective, and Lu Yin was delighted. "Keep going."

The monkey was rendered speechless. "This is the first time I've ever received such a request, but I'll satisfy you." He then lunged at Lu Yin, continuing to jabber on even while attacking. Lu Yin vaguely heard, "For screening me!" "For bullying Junior Jiu!" "For not allowing me to reunite with Junior Jiu!" "For..."

Lu Yin's pain was slightly ameliorated by each one of the monkey's frantic attacks, but it was not enough. The Ghost Monkey's attacks were much too weak compared to Yun's. "Use more strength!"

The monkey was furious. "You're looking down on me!" He started using his battle techniques and attacking Lu Yin more seriously. As time passed, the monkey started feeling shocked and flabbergasted, as Lu Yin was completely unharmed, and all of his attacks were completely ineffective. This human's physical defenses were too tough; no wonder he could fight against Tian Hou.

Compared to their first encounter at the border warfront, Lu Yin's progress had since far outstripped the Ghost Monkey, to the point where he could not even imagine the difference separating them. Although Lu Yin could not yet compare to the Ten Arbiters when they were Limiteers, he could absolutely rival those on Skymender's List when they were Limiteers. For example, Yao Gu was definitely not as outstanding as Lu Yin when he was merely a Limiteer.

Thump thump thump!

Within the Time Stop Space, Lu Yin endured the monkey's beatings as his pain gradually dulled. The monkey's initial venting eventually turned into helplessness, and then deteriorated to sullenness after that. The Ghost Monkey felt an unspeakable agony tearing at it and wanted to stop beating Lu Yin, but it could not reject the human's orders. Lu Yin's order had forced the tamed astral beast to beat him. "If you don't hit me, then I'll hit you!"

This sentence ignited the monkey's fury once again, and it beat at Lu Yin for a few days until it was completely exhausted.

Lu Yin laid down with a bang, breathing heavily. Although his body still hurt, it had reached roughly the same level as when he had consumed the previous strengthening fruit, which meant that he could at least walk now.

He looked down at his two hands and kneaded them contemplatively, feeling that he was much stronger now.

“Seventh Bro, this should be enough now. I- I’m too tired, and I can’t hit you anymore.”

Lu Yin nodded and let the monkey reenter his arm. He then leisurely stretched his arms, releasing a shockwave that shook the surrounding space. Fifteen Stacks, Twenty, Twenty One, Twenty Two, all the way until he reached Twenty Five Stacks. The more stacks he overlaid, the greater the burden that was placed on his body. The effect of using multiple stacks was the same as taking the monkey’s beating. Thus, the internal pain wracking his body continued to reduce.

Lu Yin grit his teeth and continued using more stacks until he reached Twenty Seven Stacks, which is when the void started distorting and splintering. The energy visibly spread out, making for quite the stunning sight. This was the effect of the strengthening fruit, which had pushed his physical limits to the point where he could now use Twenty Seven Stacks. He had not completely absorbed the fruit, either, but once he did, he would definitely be able to withstand Thirty Stacks.

Lu Yin was delighted, as the full force of Twenty Seven Stacks was much stronger than that of Twenty Stacks. He had improved by leaps and bounds in just a few days.

The Ghost Monkey was very curious, and he asked, “Seventh Bro, I want to ask—where are we? This place doesn’t feel quite right.”

Lu Yin’s eyes flickered. “A training room within Astral-10.”

“A training room? Where?”

“It’s none of your business.” Lu Yin grew impatient.

The monkey mumbled, “Biting the hand that feeds you.”

Lu Yin did not want the monkey to discover the secret of his Time Stop Space and thus blocked off his senses again, causing the monkey to become so angry that he was speechless.

Lu Yin had two days left to spend in the Time Stop Space, so he warmed his body up. He then used some star essence to increase the gravity within the space. His previous limit after the Astral Combat Tournament had been 130 times the normal gravity, and he wanted to discover his current limit with his newly strengthened body.

Just like the Overlaying Stacks, it became more difficult to raise one’s resistance to increased gravity the higher the gravity was. Lu Yin directly increased the gravity to 130 times, and his body slightly sank into the ground as he took a breath. It felt alright, so he continued to increase the gravity in small increments. Lu Yin only felt the pressure on his internal organs increase with each step. 135, 140, 145... Finally, the gravity was increased to 170 times the normal amount. This level of gravity caused him to feel an ache that reduced his suffering from the strengthening fruit.

Beads of sweat ran down his body in small rivulets, but Lu Yin did not move and continued to sit there, experiencing the doubled anguish from both the increased gravity and the strengthening fruit. Time slowly ticked by.

Two days later, Lu Yin opened his eyes and no longer saw the scenery of Time Stop Space. Instead, Astral-10's ruins appeared before him.

He finally exited the space, and the agony from consuming the strengthening fruit had been significantly alleviated. He stretched his hand out, clenched his fist, and violently lashed out at the air. Layers of ripples spread out before the void ruptured as a visible burst of energy pounded against nothingness and twenty seven loud booms roared out. Then, one final loud explosion rang out as the void completely shattered.

Lu Yin smiled. Twenty-eight Stacks—he had improved quickly. Once the suffering from the strengthening fruit completely faded, he would definitely be capable of unleashing Thirty Stacks.

He looked forward to seeing how strong Thirty Stacks would be, as he believed that it would have been enough to surpass the limits of Tian Hou's defense and allow him to truly rival the strength of the Ten Arbiters when they had been Limiteers.

Furthermore, he had not even reached the peak of the Limiteer realm yet; there was still room for improvement.

Perhaps he would actually surpass the Ten Arbiters' accomplishments one day.

Each and every record that the Ten Arbiters had left behind was extraordinary, such as the Divine Fist's Thirty Stacks. Lu Yin had to rely on his innate gift that was the die to catch up. Regular cultivators and astral beasts would not be able to ever reach such a standard on their own. The Ten Arbiters' records were great accomplishments that stood unparalleled throughout the entire universe.

"It's time to leave Astral-10," Lu Yin mumbled to himself as he pulled out his star chart. He was twelve weaves away from East San Dios, which would take less than ten days to travel there. There were eleven days left until Yan Feng and Jenny Auna's wedding, so there was still enough time.

Without wasting any more time, Lu Yin boarded his personal spacecraft and left Astral-10, heading towards East San Dios.

At this same moment, in East San Dios, decorations had been put up in the corner of the floating city in preparation for the wedding.

In theory, Yan Feng's status did not qualify him to hold his wedding in the floating city, but Puyu had given special permission, which made Yan Feng extremely excited.

Puyu smiled as he watched the decorations go up. He hoped that Lu Yin would arrive in time and act impulsively. Then, he would have an excuse to restrict that person's development in the Outerverse Youth Council as well as provide an explanation to the Daynight clan.

When he remembered his conversation with that Daynight lord, he grew incredibly excited.

Because of Bazeer, Puyu was already at enmity with Lu Yin. He had been able to ignore it in the beginning, but as that person continued to develop and his position climbed higher, it soon became no

longer as easy to deal with him. In fact, Puyu could have wiped him out, but that person was too shrewd and had used his identity as a Lockbreaker to uncover the fact that Puyu had been behind Bazeer.

When Bazeer contacted the Lockbreaker Seventh Bro, Puyu had approved of his efforts to build a relationship with the Lockbreaker and had even allowed Bazeer to reveal his existence. But when Lu Yin's identity as a Lockbreaker was revealed, Puyu no longer dared look down on him and specifically looked into it to verify that he was indeed Lockbreaker Seventh Bro. With that, Puyu knew that his identity had been exposed. The enmity he had with Lu Yin could not be resolved, and if that was the case, then he might as well do his best to suppress that person.

The Daynight clan had contacted not only Yan Feng, but also Puyu. Yan Feng was just a pawn used to humiliate Lu Yin while Puyu was Nightqueen Yanqing's trump card against Lu Yin.

"Lord," Bazeer greeted as he appeared behind Puyu with a bowed head, appearing terrified.

Puyu indifferently asked, "How are the arrangements?"

"Not bad. We're just waiting for Jenny Auna to arrive."

Puyu grunted. "And Lu Yin?"

"From what I've discovered, he's left Astral-10 and is on the way."

Puyu gleefully smiled. "It'll be great that he's coming. I was more worried that he might not show up."

"Lord, does Yan Feng deserve our help? Even if you have to deal with Lu Yin, there's no need to go to this length. Although he possesses many titles, none of them are that important. As long as we don't leave any evidence--"

"Shut up." Puyu's eyes turned cold. He casually waved his hand, and Bazeer, with his 30,000 power level, was launched backwards before landing heavily on the ground. He spat out some blood, but he did not dare to resist. Instead, he only knelt in trepidation. "Lord, please spare me."

Puyu's voice was icy as he stared at Bazeer. "If you did not initially humiliate him of your own initiative, things wouldn't be this troublesome today."

Bazeer's face paled. "My apologies, lord."

Puyu's eyes narrowed and he snorted. "Do you think that a puny Lu Yin can be a thorn in my side? He merely represents the displeasure of the Ten Arbiters towards the fact that East San Dios' authority lies within my hands. This person has been sent by the Ten Arbiters, and only Yan Feng can get us out of this current predicament."

"Lord, I only feel that, since Yan Feng dared to lust after Wendy Yushan, he doesn't deserve your help."

Puyu sneered. "Does he actually think that he can match up to her? He can't even compare to Wendy Yushan's pinky finger."

He continued, saying, "Pay attention to him for me. Firesmelt Planet wields no small amount of influence within the Frostwave Weave, and we must use them to track Wendy down."

“Yes, lord,” Bazeer respectfully replied.

The darkness of space was infinitely lonely. Only the various stars would emit a beautiful radiance and light up the darkness.

Lu Yin sat inside of his personal spacecraft and raised his hand, causing nine stars to revolve around him.

Currently, his most powerful technique had become the Shockwave Palm supplemented by the Overlaying Stacks Path; the Cosmic Art had become something of a supplement. Even if this supplementary power did not become outdated, he still hoped for the power of his Cosmic Art could increase.

But he had no hope of ever achieving this.

Not too long ago, he had thought that the galaxy formed by the nine stars could have more stars infinitely added into it, but he had been too naive. The ninth star had been forcibly deduced by Astral-10’s crazy headmaster, and it was not the true Cosmic Art. As such, its power output was severely limited.

The Cosmic Palm, the Cosmic Art, the Cosmic Sect. Lu Yin gazed at the skies. In an infinitely remote region of the universe, there existed a super powerful sect called the Cosmic Sect, which had the true technique. He did not know if he would ever be able to learn the remaining portions of the Cosmic Art.

Beep beep beep!

His gadget let out an alert, and he immediately activated it. He was shocked to find that he had received not a normal message, but rather one through the Ten Arbiters Council network. Lu Yin was still unfamiliar with the interface since he had just joined the Council of Astral Academy and not been qualified to enter as a member. Despite the network being extremely large, his access was restricted so that he saw almost nothing besides information regarding the Northline Flowzone.

The Ten Arbiters’ profiles normally consisted of ten empty pages, but now, one of the pages was gently beeping. One of the Ten Arbiters was trying to contact Lu Yin.

Lu Yin could only recognize one of the Ten Arbiters, the scholar Wen Sansi. It should be him who was contacting Lu Yin right now.

“Greetings.” Lu Yin connected to the call.

“I’m Lan Si,” a firm voice replied, causing Lu Yin’s pupils to shrink. This was an unfamiliar name, from one of the unknown Ten Arbiters.

### **Chapter 336: Long-Term Considerations**

“Who are you?” Lu Yin was confused.

“You probably haven’t heard of my name before, but perhaps you know my title. Many refer to me as the Divine Fist,” Lan Si replied in a calm tone.

Lu Yin’s scalp turned numb. “The Ten Arbiters’ Divine Fist?”

“Hehe, it sounds like you’ve heard of me before.” Lan Si smiled.



Lu Yin was astonished, as he never expected that the Ten Arbiters' Hand of God would actually reach out to contact him. This was a lofty Ten Arbiter! He was one of the most famous authorities overseeing the younger generation, and represented the peak power that the younger generation had inherited.

"So, are you surprised that I contacted you?" Lan Si asked.

Lu Yin suppressed his astonishment and answered, "Yes, the Ten Arbiters' reputation precedes themselves, and very few are qualified to even speak to you. I never thought that I would receive this honor."

"Lu Yin, you're quite qualified," Lan Si said solemnly. "I witnessed the Tournament of the Strongest myself, and your progress in the path of Overlaying Stacks isn't bad."

Lu Yin's gaze flashed. "Not as good as your record though."

"Do you want to compete with me?" Lan Si's tone was calm, but there was a barely discernible trace of amusement.

Lu Yin breathed out. "I would like to try, though I don't know if I can reach Thirty Stacks before breaking through to the Explorer realm."

"You should be able to with your ability. Do you know why I contacted you?"

Lu Yin was puzzled. "No."

"Because both of us are of the same kind." Lan Si's voice had turned serious.

Lu Yin was taken aback. "The same kind?"

"There is no end to the path of Overlaying Stacks. Thirty Stacks as a Limiteer and One Hundred Stacks as an Explorer, but what's next? A thousand? Ten thousand? There is no limit, but few walk this path. You and I are just some of the more well-known figures on this road, so we're naturally of the same kind."

Lu Yin probed. "How many can you use?"

Lan Si smiled. "I won't tell you. You can just guess yourself. But one thing I will say is that no one has ever broken my record."

Just this simple sentence demonstrated Lan Si's all-encompassing confidence. His spirit reminded Lu Yin of the Sandmaster's words when he had first told Lu Yin about the Divine Fist—the Ten Arbiters possess the boldest spirit. They all had their own unique ambition and charisma. Even their personal auras were enough to put an indescribable pressure on others without battle force. This was one of the Ten Arbiters.

With just this one sentence, Lu Yin had gotten a glimpse of Lan Si's spirit.

But so what? Even if this person's spirit was stronger, Lu Yin had almost reached Lan Si's Limiteer record from when he had been a student of the Astral Combat Academy: Thirty Stacks. The current him could already use it; it was just that no one else was aware of this fact. And Lu Yin had not even reached the peak of the Limiteer realm yet. There was still room for him to improve further, and with the money that he could borrow and earn, his physical body would be strengthened once again. Lu Yin would definitely

surpass Lan Si and go on to break each and every one of his records. Lu Yin didn't know if the Divine Fist would be as confident when that happened.

"I just wanted to contact you and say hello. Lu Yin, quickly break through and become an Explorer—you'll be able to challenge the Top Hundred Battle Rankings at that time. With your ability, you should even be able to climb within reach of the top twenty!" Lan Si exclaimed.

Lu Yin was moved. "Arbiter Lan, there's something that I wish to ask you."

"Speak."

"When you achieved Thirty Stacks back then, did you challenge anyone on the Top Hundred Battle Rankings?"

Lan Si fell silent for a moment. "At that time, I defeated someone at the very end of the list."

Lu Yin was shocked, as this feat was not as simple as crossing realms. The Top Hundred Battle Rankings represented the younger generation's absolute top one hundred elites. Any one of them could battle across realms, but Lan Si had defeated someone from the Top Hundred, which was essentially the same as defeating someone who was as powerful as a Cruiser, as a Limiteer. This was the strength of the Ten Arbiters, and it should also be Lu Yin's current strength.

After the call with Lan Si, Lu Yin became even more eager to arrive at East San Dios.

Puyu, Yan Feng, and the others were all definitely aware of Lu Yin's whereabouts, but their understanding of him was only based on the strength that he had displayed at the Tournament of the Strongest. Over the past few days, his strength had significantly improved again, and he would give them a huge surprise when he arrived.

Lu Yin muttered as he looked at his gadget and then contacted Huo Qingshan.

"Your Highness, congratulations on winning the Tournament of the Strongest," Huo Qingshan praised.

Lu Yin smiled. "Thank you. Uncle Huo, there's something that I need your help with."

"What orders do you have, Your Highness?" Huo Qingshan turned serious.

Lu Yin's eyes gleamed. "Help me gather proof of Bazeer's negligence in his duties."

"Bazeer?" Huo Qingshan was stunned.

"Bazeer is a subsidiary member who represents Wendy Yushan in overseeing the Great Yu Empire Youth Council. He should have fulfilled his obligations as a subsidiary member, but did he? Or rather, how much did he do? Did he persecute anyone? Was there any injustice? I need detailed evidence of any misdeeds."

Huo Qingshan solemnly replied, "I understand, Your Highness. Rest assured, I'll gather all the necessary information within seven days."

Lu Yin grunted and ended the call with Huo Qingshan. He then paused for a moment before contacting Xueshan Auna.

On the Great Yu Empire's Zenyu Star, within the main office of the Auna family, Xueshan Auna saw Lu Yin's call request. He was stunned, but hurriedly accepted it.

Not long after, Xueshan Auna set down his gadget, now with a conflicted look.

"Brother, the Seventh Filament has been pacified," Rocky Auna said as he entered the office.

Xueshan Auna gave off a gloomy aura and had an ugly expression.

Rocky Auna felt that something was strange. "Brother, what's the matter?"

Xueshan Auna rubbed his temples. "I just spoke to the Royal Regent."

Rocky Auna's heart skipped a beat. "What did he say?"

Xueshan Auna's eyes flickered. "He's heading to East San Dios, and he wants me to write a certificate of authentication."

"A certificate?" Rocky Auna felt lost.

Xueshan Auna looked up, his eyes now cold. "A certificate that says that Jenny was forcibly taken away by the Firesmelt Planet and that our Auna family does not agree to their wedding."

Rocky Auna pondered for a moment and then replied, "Brother, that's not very surprising."

"I know that it's no surprise, but I never thought he would move so quickly. When the Royal Regent was still at Zenyu Star, I had already declared my stance and even removed Jenny's name from the family register. But banishing Jenny is one matter, and publicly rejecting her marriage is another. There's also the shadow of the Daynight clan lurking behind all this, and this matter might even implicate the Outerverse Youth Council. It's become very complicated."

"It wouldn't be so troubling if the Royal Regent had just agreed to you removing Jenny's name at that time."

Xueshan Auna was in agony. "I underestimated him! I thought that he disagreed with the banishment simply because he cared for us, but I never expected him to actually be waiting for this moment. He must have known long ago that Yan Feng would marry Jenny Auna and that banishing Jenny would not change him being humiliated by Yan Feng. Thus, he stopped us from banishing her, and now, he intends to use the Auna family to stop this wedding with a reasonable excuse. Since it's justified, no one can stop him either. This kid is too complex with his schemes."

"So he's forcing our Auna family's stance."

Xueshan Auna smiled grimly. "Yes, he's forcing our hand and using his reputation as the Tournament of the Strongest's champion to intimidate us. He really wants my old body to become his errand boy and break through the enemy lines to deal with the Firesmelt Planet. He has made his plans countless moves ahead."

"What should we do?" Rocky Auna asked.

Xueshan Auna pondered for a moment and then took a deep breath. On one side was the Firesmelt Planet and Yan Feng who could become a member of the Outerverse Youth Council and had the support of the Daynight clan. On the other side was Lu Yin, the Great Yu Empire's Royal Regent who had multiple statuses, as well as his limitless potential for the future. He weighed his options and then his gaze grew firm. "Since he wants it, then we'll give it. Let's see what he can do about this wedding."

"In this way, there'll be animosity with the Firesmelt Planet and we'll even offend the Daynight clan." Rocky Auna was worried.

Xueshan Auna was helpless. "This is the tragedy of a small family. Even though we have a Hunter, we still must fear a Limiteer."

Not much time later, while flying through space, Lu Yin received the certificate from Xueshan Auna. His lips rose up; everything was going according to plan.

Xueshan Auna had tried to banish Jenny Auna to make up for his own deficiency, but that would be far too light. Others could ignore whether or not Jenny Auna was banished, and they would only see Lu Yin's fiancée being taken by someone else. To Lu Yin, this matter had stained his reputation and could prevent him from standing tall in many areas in the future, so how could he possibly let Xueshan Auna off so easily?

And now, with the certificate, Lu Yin would be justified in whatever action he took, but what would actually do was entirely up to Lu Yin himself.

Jenny Auna. This woman had to pay the price. Although Lu Yin did not plan to marry her himself, before his name was cleared, this woman could forget about marrying anyone else. Even if Lu Yin agreed to such a thing, the Auna family would not consent. This, she was destined to be lonely in this life.

A few more days passed, and the area in East San Dios that Wendy Yushan had once controlled completely changed, with countless congratulatory gifts piled up in the courtyard. East San Dios was propped up by clouds and covered an entire mainland below it. Past the mist were five arched doors, each representing one of the five council members.

Wendy Yushan's area was temporarily being controlled by Bazeer.

Jenny Auna had now arrived at East San Dios under the protection of the Firesmelt Planet's experts.

When she looked back, she never thought that she would one day stand at such heights. This place was a symbol of authority, a place where many in the Outerverse dreamed to set foot in, and she had actually arrived here to marry the man of her dreams. At this moment, Jenny Auna felt like the luckiest woman alive, and the last thing in her mind was whatever Auna family or whatever Lu Yin to the back of her mind.

A bit further away, Bazeer stood beside Yan Feng. They were both geniuses in the Explorer realm; Bazeer was an elite from the Helm Weave while Yan Feng was from the Frostwave Weave. If their current standings were ignored, then their positions in their respective weaves were actually rather similar and they would have in common they could talk about.

"Once the wedding is over, Brother Yan will receive the full support of the Daynight clan, and it's very likely that you'll become an Outerverse Youth Council member. Please accept my congratulations in

advance.” Bazeer smiled courteously. There was no trace of him having ever slandered Yan Feng to Puyu nor the arrogance that he had displayed in the Great Yu Empire.

Yan Feng smiled. “Much thanks, though I will still require Brother Bazeer’s support at that time.”

“Haha, of course, of course.” Bazeer laughed, but a trace of satire flashed across his face. This person was a genius and also shrewd, but Yan Feng’s vision was still too narrow. He was completely unaware of the current situation’s full details. He was just a pawn for the higher-ups to use in their game and had been specially selected by someone to deal with Lu Yin. Once Lu Yin was disposed of, the next would be Yan Feng. However, this person even wanted to fight with Member Puyu over East San Dios! Dream on...

### **Chapter 337: Encountering Zhuo Daynight Once Again**

Ding!

Bazeer and Yan Feng both looked at their gadgets and smiled at the same time. “That woman seems determined to help Lu Yin.”

“It’s no matter. As long as Arbiter Wen doesn’t intervene, that woman has no chance of changing the current situation.”

Bazeer cautiously replied, “Don’t underestimate that woman, She’s ranked 53rd in the Top Hundred Rankings, so our combined strength still might not be enough to deal with her.”

Yan Feng had an ugly expression, as it was hard for him to concede to any woman, including Wendy Yushan. He longed to marry her, but reality had proven to be far from his dreams. Regardless of whether he admitted it or not, Wendy Yushan and Mira were both far stronger than him. “In San Dios, it’s not only about one’s power, but also one’s methods. That Lu Yin will definitely disrupt the wedding, and we’ll personally act at that time and have him experience extreme humiliation. We’ll see what face he has left then.” He then turned around and left.

Bazeer smiled gleefully, as this was precisely the outcome he wanted to see. If Lu Yin disrupted someone else’s wedding, then he would be beaten harshly regardless of his status. Hopefully, he would actually be beaten to death, and of course, Bazeer would help a little as well. Lu Yin was just a Limiteer, so he should not be able to withstand the combined force of Bazeer and Yan Feng.

Flying through the universe was an easy way to run into mishaps. Several days into Lu Yin’s journey, the predetermined route was forced to change, as something seemed to have happened farther along the old route. Due to this, his arrival date at San Dios was pushed back by a day.

Lu Yin frowned as he looked at the new route. One day was still fine, as that would mean that he would arrive one day before the wedding. However, he was now afraid that, if the route was changed again, he would be delayed until after the wedding. He did not want to be laughed at for the rest of his life.

At that moment, an alarm sounded within his personal spacecraft. The surrounding space had been sealed. Lu Yin had encountered such circumstances before. There must either be a battle up ahead, or he had run into some interstellar pirates.

When he thought of pirates, Lu Yin grew excited. Robbing pirates was a great opportunity to make some money, and he was suffering from a dreadful lack of cash at present, and he even had a massive pile of debt to pay off.

But now was not the time, as he could not delay his journey any further.

However, it seemed that the more one did not want to be delayed, the more likely it was for one to be delayed. The spacecraft he was traveling in was not from Astral-10, so there was no emblem upon it. This had led to the spacecraft quickly being blocked.

When he saw the massive spacecraft in front of him, Lu Yin felt a headache coming on. With his previous experience in plundering pirates, it was very likely for this grade of spacecraft to carry a space-exploring powerhouse.

“We are the Remote Green Pirate Crew. Immediately dock your spacecraft. Do not resist, or you will be killed instantly,” an alert sounded.

Lu Yin could only helplessly obey the other party. In outer space, unless one was an Explorer, it was impossible to use their full power no matter how strong they were.

He was readily accepted into the large spacecraft. When Lu Yin opened the hatch of his personal spacecraft, a group of pirates were cautiously watching him, with three Limiteers among them. This pirate crew was not weak at all.

When they saw Lu Yin, one of the Limiteers who was holding a longsword frowned. This person seemed to be somewhat familiar!

“Kid, open your cosmic ring and take everything inside out. As long as you don’t try to hide anything, we won’t kill you,” one of the Limiteers loudly warned.

Lu Yin looked around, and a formless ripple spread out. He raised an arm and then activated his gadget. He saw a rather eye-dazzling power level pop up: 23,000. This was the power level of an Explorer.

Lu Yin frowned. “Not bad, you actually have an Explorer with a power level over 20,000.”

“Damn it, can’t you hear me talking to you?” The Limiteer who had just threatened Lu Yin was irritated, and he immediately raised his hand to slap Lu Yin.

At the same time, the sword-wielding Limiteer’s expression changed. “Stop!”

Lu Yin’s eyes flashed with a cold light, and even though he didn’t seem to do anything, the Limiteer who had attempted to attack him suddenly had his arm snap clean off. Fresh blood spurted out and splattered in all directions, even splashing onto the faces of many of the surrounding pirates. After a moment, the Limiteer howled in anguish.

All of the pirates were about to attack Lu Yin when the sword-wielding Limiteer hurriedly stopped them. “Wait! He’s a student from the Astral Combat Academy! That’s Lu Yin!”

The pirates were all dazed by this news.

One of the other Limiteer's eyes shrank. "Lu Yin? The guy who placed top four in the Astral Combat Tournament? That Lu Yin?"

Everyone remembered the name as soon as the Limiteer said this.

The Astral Combat Tournament had been broadcast to the entire Human Domain, and countless people had seen Lu Yin. These pirates often paid special attention to such events so that they would not try to rob someone whom they could not afford to offend. Lu Yin was definitely one of the worst people they could provoke.

All of them stared at Lu Yin, dumbfounded. Sure enough, he looked the same as he had on the broadcast.

Lu Yin looked at his gadget; someone with over 20,000 power level would not be easy for him to deal with. After all, they were in outer space, so any Explorer could easily escape into the void, making it difficult for anyone below their realm to fight against them. Forget it, I don't have any spare time to delay.

"Can I leave now?" Lu Yin asked coldly.

The sword-wielding Limiteer hurriedly nodded and forced a smile onto his face. "Yes, yes! Student Lu can leave now! Sorry to bother you."

Lu Yin was in a bad mood. If it weren't for the fact that he was extremely short on time, he definitely would not have let these pirates off. A pirate crew with an Explorer must be quite wealthy, so it was a pity.

The moment Lu Yin exposed his identity, the amputated Limiteer did not dare to utter a single noise, as he could not afford to offend this person. Even if Lu Yin killed the Limiteer on the spot, the pirate knew that his captain would not stand up for him. The threat of the Astral Combat Academy was far too great; a mere pirate crew like them could not provoke such a monstrous organization.

Lu Yin returned to his spacecraft and then quickly reappeared in outer space. He was just about to leave when he glanced sideways and saw that the pirate crew had sealed in the area adjacent to him as well. In there, there were quite a few other spacecraft that were also trapped. However, he did not bother with them. After all, he was neither a good samaritan nor someone who stood for justice. Since these people were willing to risk traveling through space, they naturally had to take on the appropriate risks. These were the cruel laws of survival that ruled the universe.

Eh? Lu Yin's gaze trembled when he saw a familiar spacecraft; wasn't that his own radiant-grade Aurora?

Lu Yin immediately went forward and stared hard ahead. Sure enough, it was actually his old spacecraft. Although Astral-10's emblem had been wiped away, there was still a tiny trace of it left behind. That was his spacecraft!

It had been his reward for completing the Sentinel's paramount mission. And after being upgraded by Madam Nalan, it had become a radiant-grade spacecraft, which was very valuable. It had been lost at the pirate port, so what was it doing here?

At this moment, Lu Yin's Aurora was being taken into the pirates' spacecraft.

Lu Yin immediately turned his spacecraft around and reentered the pirates' vessel alongside the Aurora.

At the highest level of the large spacecraft, within the luxurious captain's quarters, the Remote Green Pirate Crew's captain frowned. "What's going on? Why is Lu Yin coming back in?"

The sword-wielding Limiteer stood behind the captain. "Captain, could it be because we didn't give him any supplies?"

The Explorer captain was rather disgruntled. "Go and welcome him again, but be more polite this time. Try to get rid of him quickly."

"What if he wants to rescue the others?" The Limiteer became nervous. They had robbed a great many other people, so it would be unlucky if they ran into a righteous powerhouse here. Those cultivators were the kind that disgusted the pirates the most.

The captain squinted. "If he tries to forcibly intervene, then just let them go."

The Limiteer was puzzled. "Captain, he's a student from the Astral Combat Academy, so while we can't touch him, we shouldn't have to accommodate him."

"When I tell you to go, you should go!" the Explorer barked, startling the Limiteer who then scurried off.

If possible, the Explorer would rather not release these cash cows, but he had no other choice. The others might not be able to understand it, but the captain was absolutely certain that he was no match for Lu Yin. The youth was just a Limiteer, but with the battle power that he had displayed during the Astral Combat Tournament, he would have no problem beating the captain. This was the terror of a true genius.

Crack!

When the various spacecraft touched down within the pirate spacecraft's docking bay, Lu Yin did not get down. Instead, he simply watched on from the side. He wanted to know who had stolen his Aurora.

The surrounding pirates did not dare be too reckless due to Lu Yin's presence and only surrounded the captives as they watched the other spacecraft be brought in.

There were two vessels that belonged to interstellar mercenaries, and their power levels were not weak either, as they were Limiteers. However, they did not dare to resist the Green Remote Pirate Crew, so they obediently opened their cosmic rings with practiced motions.

Then, the hatch of Lu Yin's stolen Aurora opened, which was the most eye-grabbing vessel present since it was a radiant-grade one. Even the Explorer captain stared at his screen intently, as he wanted to see who was in that spacecraft.

A pure-white hand came out, followed by a red sword.

Lu Yin instantly knew who it was. That red longsword definitely belonged to Zhuo Daynight.



True enough, long, black-and-white hair flew about as Zhuo Daynight's pure and gentle face emerged. She had that same apathetic expression that was touched by a trace of worry and indifference. As she looked at the surrounding pirates, her coldness turned into cruelty.

Lu Yin clapped his hand to his forehead. She was here yet again; this woman really hated pirates.

"Seventh Bro, it's a Daynight woman!" the Ghost Monkey shrieked.

Lu Yin could not be bothered with the monkey.

In the captain's quarters, the Explorer captain's pupils shrank when he saw Zhuo Daynight. "Not cool! It's the Daynight clan!"

A loud cry resounded through the spaceship. The surrounding pirates were not even able to react when Zhuo Daynight moved. Her sword cut through the necks of a dozen pirates, and their heads fell off.

"Green Remote Pirate Crew, you've killed 579 people since you started operating. It's time to die!" Her red blade danced about, overwhelming the pirates.

A continuous stream of pirates charged into the docking bay, including multiple Limiteers, but they were all powerless before Zhuo Daynight. She was currently much stronger compared to when she had first battled against Lu Yin, or perhaps it was just that she had fully comprehended her domain. Within her domain, even a normal Explorer might not be able to beat her, let alone a Limiteer.

The other few who were being robbed were all astonished at what they were witnessing and hid in their spacecraft.

"Seventh Bro, that lady's pretty impressive!" The monkey was shocked.

Soon, Zhuo Daynight's figure vanished, as she had charged deeper into the pirates' spacecraft.

Lu Yin opened his spacecraft's hatch and silently followed her.

At the highest level of the pirates' spacecraft, the Explorer captain's face sank, and he used a palm to tear through the void and appear in front of Zhuo Daynight.

Her cold eyes fixed on him, and she raised her red sword.

"Daynight expert, my pirate crew has not offended you. Why have you attacked us?"

Zhuo Daynight remained indifferent, but a streak of red could be seen within her pupils. "All pirates deserve to die."

Then, she slashed out at the captain.

### **Chapter 338: Response**

"Lunatic!" the Explorer captain shouted. He then slashed out with his own blade. Bang! The two blades collided, and a sharp shockwave swept across the area. A crack appeared in the void, causing the floor to split apart. Zhuo Daynight and the Explorer were both blown backwards at the same time.

The Explorer grit his teeth and then raised his blade again.

Zhuo Daynight's gaze turned cold as her sword qi surged, causing countless sharp sounds to echo throughout the spacecraft.

A Limiteer who crossed realms to challenge an Explorer could not be considered to be a normal Realmbreaker. Unlike a Sentinel challenging a Melder or a Melder challenging a Limiteer, there was a qualitative difference between a Limiteer and an Explorer. Once one became an Explorer, they would be able to tear the void with every attack because the cycle of their star energy was fundamentally different from a Limiteer's.

If Zhuo Daynight had not improved from before, then even with her initial-stage domain and White Phantomsword battle technique, she would definitely lose out to an Explorer whose power level was over 20,000. But now, she had completely comprehended her domain. Even if she couldn't defeat an Explorer like this pirate captain, she could still hold her own against him for some time. If the battle was dragged out for long enough, since the Daynight clan's battle technique could damage spiritual force, her possibility of winning would no longer be zero.

However, she had not encountered a normal Explorer.

A pirate plundered many things, and that included battle techniques. This pirate crew had operated for a rather long time, and the captain had received many items as the leader of the crew, especially sword techniques. By slowly amassing and integrating them over a period of a hundred years, he had developed a unique technique that suited himself best. The technique was sharp, ferocious, and crafty as well. A short while later, Zhuo Daynight found it hard to defend herself.

There was a white flash as the pirate captain's blade overpowered her red sword. The blade's edge streaked past and forced her sword into the wall.

The captain stared coldly at Zhuo Daynight. "Leave immediately. Out of respect for the Daynight clan, I won't kill you."

Zhuo Daynight stared at the Explorer captain, unsatisfied.

The captain was apprehensive, as it had not been easy to deal with Zhuo Daynight, and there had even been a strange sense of suppression from start to finish. It almost felt as if his attacks had been completely seen through. The Daynight clan's sword techniques were also very powerful, and he had only won due to the large disparity between their power levels. In fact, if his power level had just been lower by 5,000 units, he might not have even been this woman's opponent. The elites from powerful clans were just too abnormal; he was an Explorer with a power level of over 20,000, but he was afraid of a Limiteer.

Zhuo Daynight walked to the wall and grabbed her sword. She pulled it out and pointed it back towards the Explorer.

He immediately grew furious upon seeing her actions. "I may fear the Daynight clan, but I won't lie down and die! Don't seek out that which is bad for you."

Zhuo Daynight continued to point her blade towards the captain without moving. She was currently considering how she should proceed; the disparity between the two was simply too great. There were

very few Limiteers in the entire Daynight clan who were true Realmbreakers, and she was not yet one of them.

“You obviously can’t beat him, but you still want to struggle. Do you want to end up severely injured again?” A third voice spoke out, and both Zhuo Daynight and the Explorer captain whirled around to see a beaming Lu Yin.

Zhuo Daynight was shocked. “It’s you?”

The captain stared blankly at Lu Yin, as he had forgotten about this person. This person was the greatest threat to him and far surpassed the Daynight woman.

“Long time no see.” Lu Yin waved.

“Seventh Bro, you know her? Hold on, she looks familiar... Wait, isn’t she the chick that Nightqueen Yanqing used to threaten you?” The Ghost Monkey tried to dig into his memories.

Zhuo Daynight stared at Lu Yin in shock. “Why are you here?”

Lu Yin shrugged. “I was passing by, and I saw something familiar.”

She knew that he was referring to the Aurora. “I’m sorry, but I can’t return it to you just yet.”

“Then buy it. How much are you willing to pay?” Lu Yin teased.

Her expression turned sour; she was actually broke.

That Explorer’s face became even gloomier. From their interactions, he could tell that the two of them obviously knew each other. He saw that they wanted to continue chatting, so he decided to tear through the void in order to escape. To run away from Limiteers, especially Realmbreaking geniuses, the best way was to hide in outer space.

Unfortunately for the captain, Lu Yin had been keeping an eye on him and would not let him escape so easily. The moment the Explorer tore through the void, Lu Yin took a step forward, and an intense vibration shattered countless metal plates on the pirates’ spacecraft. The ripples that he produced travelled through the void and forcibly knocked the Explorer back onto the ship. He was completely stunned. “Student Lu, we have no animosity towards each other.”

“I’m sorry, but you need to die.” Lu Yin’s eyes were cold. His body flashed as he appeared right in front of the captain. He raised his hand and unleashed a Twenty Stacks Fortyfold Shockwave Palm. This had been his strongest attack during the Tournament of the Strongest, but right now, it was just a warm up.

Lu Yin’s attack did not even fully emerge, but the void had already collapsed as if it had caved in. This was a staggering scene, and the Explorer’s face turned deathly pale. He could sense the terror of this palm, and he knew that he could only evade it since he did not dare to meet it head-on.

However, Lu Yin’s palm could not be dodged that easily. Still, the Explorer captain managed to put his ring armor on at this crucial moment, and it was an Explorer-level armor at that. A defense that was equivalent to two Explorers stiffly resisted Lu Yin’s palm.

Lu Yin's palm was imprinted into the Explorer's chest, and the ring armor instantly shattered. Then, a boundless force swept across the void that affected even the heavens as a tremendous gravitational pull came from outside the spacecraft and tried to drag everything out. The Explorer's eyes went grey; Lu Yin's palm had gone straight through his armor and crushed his heart.

It was obvious that the average person could not resist Lu Yin's palm, but not even an Explorer at 20,000 power level could either. The power of the attack was too great.

When Lu Yin first joined the Astral Combat Tournament, he had already been a Realmbreaker who could challenge Explorers. He had then forcibly fought against Zi Tie, who was an Explorer realm astral beast with a power level of around 40,000 at the border warfront. There was no need to even mention Lu Yin's capabilities now.

To Lu Yin, this normal Explorer was not even as threatening as a Limiteer genius.

The Explorer was killed in body and soul before the Twenty Stacks even completed their explosions, and his body was pulled into outer space.

Everything had happened too fast; Lu Yin had only appeared and unleashed a single palm, but he had already killed that Explorer. This left Zhuo Daynight completely amazed.

"Damn it!" Lu Yin cried, looking out of the spacecraft with an upset expression.

Zhuo Daynight was roused. "What?"

"I forgot to grab his cosmic ring! There must be quite a bit of money inside."

She was speechless.

The Ghost Monkey could not help himself from interjecting. "Seventh Bro, could you not mention money right now? Damn! You just rescued a girl, and a Daynight girl at that!"

The battle with the Explorer had caused great damage to the pirate spacecraft, and it could only barely continue floating through space. As more time passed, the risk of it crashing before the damaged areas were repaired would increase. However, this did not concern Lu Yin, and he immediately left.

"Thank you for before." Lu Yin turned around to speak to Zhuo Daynight.

She looked out at the stars. "It was because you saved me, so it should have been done."

Lu Yin laughed. "I saved you because I injured you. Whatever, what's done is done. Now, what about my Aurora?"

Zhuo Daynight threw a cosmic ring to him. "This contains my entire fortune."

Lu Yin casually threw it back to her. "I don't want it."

Zhuo Daynight could not understand him. "Don't you urgently need money?"

"Yes, but I want others'. I don't want yours," Lu Yin's reply was firm.

Zhuo Daynight fell silent.

“You can continue using my Aurora, since it’s meant to be a mode of transportation after all. But I’m curious about one thing—why do you specifically seek out and kill pirates?”

A chilliness flashed into her eyes. “Because pirates are the most repulsive scum in the universe.”

Lu Yin’s face twisted. Although her answer was short, he saw a glimpse of the intense hatred in her heart.

Lu Yin was curious. “But you can’t overdo it. If I wasn’t here this time, then were you intending on fighting it out with that pirate to the very end?”

She looked at him, and her pure face revealed a hint of bewilderment. “Do you think that I’m stupid?”

Lu Yin paused, then replied, “No, not stupid.”

“Then that’s that. I’ll leave if I can’t win. But I have my trump cards as well, and there’s no harm in trying, since the pirates won’t dare to kill me.”

Lu Yin nodded. “As long as you know.”

She looked at him seriously. “How did you find out the traces of the Third Nightking?”

Lu Yin knew that she would ask him this, as very few outside the Daynight clan would have even heard about the Third Nightking. Only some ancient existences would know about such matters. “I’ve already given Elder Yuanjing an answer to this question.”

She had a complex gaze. “You used that information to save me.”

He nodded, and then noticed that her gaze was very strange. It was not joyful, but instead, seemed to be a little remorseful. “What’s the matter?”

She shook her head and turned away. “You can go, but don’t forget your promise from before.”

Lu Yin nodded. This woman had hidden her worries, but they did not concern him. She had willingly testified for him, which truly moved Lu Yin. In turn, he had done everything to repay her kindness, although it did not involve any romantic emotions. He didn’t have the emotional capacity to worry about this woman’s matters in addition to his own.

“Then I’ll leave now. You should as well, quickly.” After saying that, he left.

After Lu Yin left, Zhuo Daynight looked up and closed her eyes in agony. “I never thought that I, Zhuo Daynight, would become a sinner of the Dayking bloodline. I’m sorry, Father, Mother.”

“Seventh Bro, what’s the matter with that woman? She doesn’t seem very happy that you rescued her.” The Ghost Monkey was seething.

Lu Yin’s tone instantly turned cold. “None of your business.”

“Woah, I’m on your side! I realize that you always vent your anger at me, but I have my own dignity too.”

Lu Yin could guess why Zhuo Daynight was unhappy, as the monkey had informed him that the Daynight clan was split into the Dayking and Nightking bloodlines. The Dayking bloodline was controlled by the Sealed Cage Technique and were essentially slaves to the Nightking bloodline. Now that he had revealed information on the whereabouts of the Third Nightking, the Dayking bloodline would never be able to escape from their predicament after the Third Nightking was freed. Blaming him was a very natural response.

However, Lu Yin could not tell her the truth that it was impossible for the Third Nightking to escape, since he did not know if Nightking Yuanjing had messed with her body or not. Ever since he had learned of the truth about the Daynight clan, Lu Yin had viewed the Nightking bloodline in an unfavorable light, and to some extent, he even detested them.

He was not delayed that long by the pirates, and he continued on his path through the universe. There were only six days left until the wedding, but he would be able to rush to East San Dios within five days if his current route didn't change.

But there were always infinitely many variables in the universe, and the route was changed yet again, pushing the arrival date back by yet another day.

Lu Yin was a little flustered and could only hope that he would be on time.

### **Chapter 339: Prairie Flame Continent**

A few days later, the floating city, San Dios, was flying high in the sky as usual when the void warped. Soon after, countless spatial cracks appeared. The fractures were followed by a series of colorful, strange lights. The lights were actually fireworks celebrating the day of the marriage; several powerhouses had shattered the void to create a firework-like display of brilliant lights for Yan Feng and Jenny Auna.

In the gigantic courtyard, Jenny Auna happily looked at her visage in the mirror while surrounded by many ladies. Some of the women were from Firesmelt Planet while others were servants serving at East San Dios. They had all come to help Jenny get ready.

On this day, she looked exceptionally beautiful.

It was the dream of many women to marry Yan Feng, and Jenny Auna constantly drew various looks of jealousy from other women. These looks only served to increase her joy since they were proof that she was marrying the right man, the most outstanding man.

Although no one from the Auna clan had shown up, and her clan had not recognized the marriage, neither of those things bothered Jenny Auna at all. Jenny Auna clasped a beautiful red ring to her chest—this ring was all that she needed, and Yan Feng would soon wear it for her. In just a few hours, she would become Yan Feng's wife, and after that, she would give Yan Feng everything, including her body.

Outside the courtyard, Yan Feng stood there with a calm look on his face. He did not care about this marriage as the person he truly wished to wed was Wendy Yushan. Alas, that was nothing more than a wishful dream. However, as a consolation prize, Jenny Auna was not a bad catch either. Even though he would not be able to secure the Auna clan's loyalty through this marriage, he could at least gain some

favor from the Daynight clan, which was more than enough. As long as he became a Councilor, it would be possible for him to come into contact with the Ten Arbiters in the future. When that day came, he would truly become a truly influential figure in the universe.

“Congratulations, future Councilor Yan Feng.” An enticing figure moved towards him from not too far away. This woman had long, white hair that reached down to her ankles, and her feet were bare. Yan Feng watched as she floated down from the sky.

Upon seeing Mira, Yan Feng’s eyes were dazzled. He gave a faint smile and responded, “Ah, it’s you, Representative Mira. Thank you for your well wishes.”

Mira flashed a wide smile at Yan Feng as she looked at him. “Have you thought about how you will care for your beautiful wife in the future?”

Yan Feng smiled. “Jenny is a good girl. Marrying her is the best thing that has ever happened to me. Of course I will take very good care of her.”

Mira’s eyes grew until they resembled two round moons; it was a very alluring sight. She continued, saying, “Yes. Oh, before I forget, I heard a terrible rumor. Word has it that your new bride is someone else’s fiancée.”

Yan Feng’s expression immediately changed as the tone of his voice turned frosty. “Representative Mira, you must have heard wrongly. Besides, in this day and age, any unmarried lady is considered independent. The term ‘fiancée’ no longer exists.”

Mira laughed in spite of herself. “In that case, I’m sorry, future Councilor Yan Feng. I was just shooting my mouth off, so don’t be angry.”

Yan Feng forced a smile onto his face. “I’m not that easily angered. Representative Mira, please do not pay attention to the frivolous rumors of the underlings.”

Mira smiled, nodded, and then turned around to leave.

Yan Feng’s face was downcast, and he let out a snort. He would harshly deal with this woman soon enough. However, he had to acknowledge that she was indeed very beautiful. It was a pity that they were walking down very different paths.

“What did Mira say?” someone suddenly asked from beside Yan Feng.

Yan Feng had not sensed anyone behind him, and he quickly spun around. What greeted him was a familiar face, and he hurriedly bowed. “Greetings, Councilor Puyu.”

Puyu nodded, flashed him a faint smile, and then continued, saying, “There’s no need for formalities today. This is the most important day of your life, so make sure to take it all in.”

“Thank you, Councilor Puyu,” Yan Feng respectfully replied. His demeanor showed that he was truly afraid of Puyu.

Bazeer was also standing next to Puyu, and he flashed a smile to Yan Feng as well.

“What did Mira say?” Puyu asked again.

Yan Feng repeated Mira's words. After he was done speaking, Bazeer let out a snort and said, "Brother Yan, don't bother with her. I even stayed at Zenyu Star once, and I can confirm that there is no relationship between Lu Yin and your fiancée. They are naught but rumors."

Yang Feng knew very well of the relationship between Jenny Auna and Lu Yin. If not for that relationship, Nightqueen Yanqing would not have used him. However, he could only keep what he knew to himself. Compared to Nightqueen Yanqing, this Puyu was the one with a truly sinister character. Yan Feng had told himself that he would make sure to restrict some of Puyu's power once he became a Councilor, and due to this self-promise, Yan Feng was always very cautious whenever he interacted with Puyu.

In the sky, the void broke open once again as countless fissures spread out in all directions.

To those on the mainland, this looked like a miracle. However, to those within San Dios, this was merely the starting festivities for the marriage.

Even though Yan Feng's status wasn't that high, his marriage had still attracted a lot of attention. Many important figures were attending the wedding ceremony, and apart from the people representing the various powerful clans of the Inverse, there were also many powerful people from the Outerverse.

However, these people had not come for the wedding; they were here hoping to see someone specific appear.

This was a detail that Jenny Auna did not understand. She truly believed from the bottom of her heart that everyone present had come to celebrate her union with Yan Feng. Only Yan Feng understood that all these people were actually waiting for Lu Yin. In fact, Yan Feng himself was waiting for Lu Yin as well. Even though the wedding was important, drawing Lu Yin out with the wedding and humiliating the Limiteer genius was even more important as that would garner Yan Feng the support of the Daynight clan. If he accomplished that, he would experience a meteoric rise in status.

In a simple study, in a corner of San Dios, Wen Sansi quietly sipped some tea as he held an ancient book in a hand.

Mira walked over and casually bowed. "Arbiter Wen."

Wen Sansi set the book down and looked at Mira before asking, "How are the wedding preparations proceeding?"

"Very well," Mira answered.

Wen Sansi nodded and then resumed reading his book.

Mira hesitated before asking, "Arbiter Wen, does this have to be so complex? Regardless of whether it's Puyu or Yan Feng, you can easily crush either one of them."

Wen Sansi continued reading as he casually replied, "We cannot be too harsh nor too flamboyant in how we handle our affairs. I am neither Zhenwu nor Sierra; we scholars pride ourselves on our strength of character. I do not bully the weak, especially those who are so weak that they will never pose a threat to me."



“But that is not the case. Puyu’s influence has already started to affect you. The surrounding Weaves are obviously your domain, but despite that, the Daynight clan still contacted Yan Feng. These are mortal crimes,” Mira argued.

Wen Sansi let out a faint smile. “They have merely bent some rules, and none of that is a mortal crime. I must say, however, that I am quite curious to see how Lu Yin will handle all this.” After saying so, Wen Sansi sized Mira up. “What do you think? Will he choose to follow me?”

Mira’s heart skipped a beat, and she lowered her head. “I do not know.”

Wen Sansi laughed. “You have a pretty good relationship with him. If possible, you should try to rope him in. That kid has good talent and is comparable to what we were like in the past.”

Mira softly grunted in acknowledgment.

Before long, many hours passed. According to the customs of the Firesmelt Planet, the wedding would take place when a volcano erupted. Since there were no volcanoes on the mainland, they had decided to use the most auspicious time in the evening, when the nine planets illuminated the mainland with silver beams. This was also the time when San Dios was the most beautiful.

Under the envious eyes of many young women, Jenny Auna made her way to Yan Feng while wearing a specially crafted, traditional Firesmelt Planet wedding gown.

Not far away from her, Yang Feng had a smile on his face. Under the watchful eyes of many, he similarly made his way towards Jenny Auna.

At the same time, on Zenyu Star, the Huo and Auna clans were watching the proceedings. Yan Feng’s wedding was being broadcast to the outside world, so many in the Outerverse were able to witness the on-goings as well.

At that moment, in the sky above the mainland, there was a fiery red flash as something landed heavily on the ground.

Many figures took to the sky in an attempt to stop the approaching object. This mainland belonged to San Dios, and trespassing upon its land was not permitted. All trespassers would be punished.

With a loud thud, a huge crater appeared on the broken ground as dust and smoke billowed everywhere.

A powerful Explorer and a dozen Limiteer cultivators stood around the crater and stared into it with murderous intent. They were curious to discover who would be so brazen as to trespass on the Prairie Flame Continent.

Crunch!

The hatch of the spacecraft burst open before Lu Yin stretched out a hand and shook his head. He rarely crashed his spacecraft straight into the ground, and he generally preferred to calmly dock at the space stations. However, he had no time to spare for a gentle landing right now.

Many figures landed on the ground and stared at Lu Yin. “Who is so brazen as to trespass on the Prairie Flame Continent?”

The Prairie Flame Continent was a vast mainland within the domain of East San Dios. It was also known as the Ablaze Star. It was a gigantic planet whose surface area was far greater than Zenyu Star’s.

Lu Yin observed his surroundings and raised his head to look at San Dios in the distance. It was high up, but fortunately, he had not strayed too far from his destination.

Suddenly, a white light flashed past his eyes. After Lu Yin didn’t answer after being asked once, the powerful Explorer had attacked by throwing his spear straight at Lu Yin.

Lu Yin raised his brows and lifted a hand to tightly grab the spear. The powerful Explorer was stunned and shocked to find himself unable to move. This new arrival’s strength was beyond belief.

“Attacking before finding out what the situation is... Is this the standard of San Dios?” Lu Yin asked coldly. He then grabbed the spear aside and casually broke it with Fifteen Stacks. He tossed the ruined pieces aside and struck down everyone surrounding him.

One of the fragments embedded itself into the powerful Explorer’s thigh. He knelt on the ground and looked at Lu Yin in fear. This man was definitely a monster who could crush any Limiteer. Wait a minute, why does he look so familiar?

“Are you Lu Yin?” the powerful Explorer asked, astounded.

Lu Yin looked at him. “How is the wedding going?”

“It is taking place right now,” the Explorer respectfully replied as he lowered his head. Lu Yin was someone who had been recognized by Arbiter Wen and given the authority to represent Wendy Yushan on the Outerverse Youth Council whereas this Explorer was just another Explorer. The disparity between their statuses was far too great. Naturally, the Explorer did not dare to offend Lu Yin.

Another cold glare flashed through Lu Yin’s eyes. Then, he took one step forward, tearing through the void and vanishing.

The Explorer’s pupils constricted; traveling through the void was the signature move of space-exploring powerhouses, and yet, Lu Yin had easily replicated the feat. So this was the power of the strongest individual of the Astral Combat Academy. He could not even imagine how powerful Lu Yin would be once he broke through to the Explorer realm, but he would definitely be a shoo-in for the Top Hundred battle rankings.

High above, in San Dios, inside a beautifully decorated courtyard, Yan Feng was less than ten steps away from Jenny Auna. As he looked at Jenny Auna who was so close to him, Yan Feng could not stop his emotions from being stirred. Jenny Auna was very beautiful, and he had only been able to ignore this fact through his obsession over Wendy Yushan. Now that he was so close to the girl and looking at her face to face, Yan Feng discovered that he was starting to fall for her. This woman was truly breathtaking and had a distinct character to her. It must be some trait that was passed down within the Auna clan. Furthermore, she also had an icy air surrounding her which appealed greatly to him.

Yan Feng’s heart started burning; this woman would belong to him tonight.

Jenny Auna was so nervous that she found it difficult to breath. Years of longing had finally born fruit, and she was ten steps away from finally marrying the man of her dreams.

Countless people stared intently at this scene, and even Wen Sansi placed his book down to look on with interest. As far as he was concerned, this was just an interesting situation to watch, especially because the main character was about to appear.

### **Chapter 340: Tyranny**

San Dios had five arched entrances that were guarded by five powerhouses. Anyone who wanted to enter it had to pass through one of these arched doorways, as even space-exploring powerhouses were unable to enter the floating city by traveling through the void. This was because the guards were not from the Outerverse Youth Council, but rather, were experts employed by the Council. In other words, they were direct subordinate troops that were not necessarily part of the younger generation.

San Dios represented the Outerverse Youth Council, but more importantly, the Ten Arbiters Council as well. Not just anyone could barge in, as that would cause the Council to lose face.

Lu Yin tore through the void and was just about to charge inside San Dios when the guard stationed at the Wendy Yushan's arched entrance widened his eyes and raised a hand to shake the void. Lu Yin was forced out, and he cautiously stared downwards.

"Who are you, and how dare you trespass in San Dios?" a middle-aged male barked threateningly at Lu Yin.

Lu Yin's heart leaped as this person's power was very strong; he was at least at the Cruiser realm. Lu Yin did not want to delay any more, as Yan Feng and Jenny Auna were only a few steps apart.

Lu Yin thought quickly, activated his gadget, and then showed the guard his screen. "Look carefully. Am I qualified to enter?"

The male looked at Lu Yin's information, and took special note of the two Honor Points beside his name. The powerhouse's gaze changed, and he slowly stepped aside. "Please enter."

This was a privilege of having Honor Points, and two Honor Points had brought Lu Yin far too many privileges, one of which was that Lu Yin was unconditionally allowed to enter the Outerverse Youth Council.

Lu Yin's own status was sufficient for him to enter, but the verification of his identity would take time, and he had none to waste. This was why he had used his Honor Points to clear his path. He quickly set his gadget aside, and his body vanished.

In a corner of San Dios, Wen Sansi's lips quirked up. A good show was about to unfold.

On the brilliant carpet, Yan Feng walked up to Jenny Auna and then slowly bent down. He reached out, with the intention of grasping Jenny Auna. Her face blushed, and a smile that almost seemed holy appeared on her face as she raised her hand.

Suddenly, a powerful aura appeared that caused many to tremble.

Yan Feng paused, and his eyes turned cold. The one who was supposed to arrive had finally made his appearance.

“Who allowed this marriage?” A voice rang out from behind Jenny Auna and covered the entirety of San Dios. Everyone looked at the origin of the voice; some were excited, some sneered, and some others felt anticipation.

Jenny Auna froze when she heard the voice. She felt as if she had fallen and was being forcibly dragged out of her ocean of happiness. She was suddenly reminded of reality, and of a certain person.

She slowly turned around and stared at a man not far away from her in disbelief. “You- Why are you here?”

Lu Yin coldly stared at her, but then, his gaze shifted to Yan Feng, and his brows creased. “You’re Yan Feng?”

Yan Feng did not reply. Instead, Bazeer, who was nearby, stepped forward and stared at Lu Yin. “Student Lu, you’re not on the guest list for this wedding. Leave now.”

Lu Yin looked at Bazeer. “I will settle matters with you later. For now, beat it.”

Bazeer was furious, and he sneered. “You’re quite smug. Tell me, how do you plan to ‘settle’ matters with me?”

“It looks like you’re the first dog to bite. If that’s the case, then I’ll grant you your wish.” Lu Yin’s tone was cold as he pulled up a screen. “Outerverse Youth Council subsidiary member Bazeer, Representative of Member Wendy Yushan, you were tasked with supervising the Great Yu Empire Youth Council. However, during your tenure, you were absent without leave, engaged in nepotism, accepted bribes, and ignored the laws. The evidence is absolute. What do you have to say in your defense?”

There was a hubbub as many blankly stared at the screen.

Bazeer was furious. “Bullshit! I didn’t- This is slander!”

Lu Yin’s eyes narrowed. “There’ll naturally be an investigation into your guilt. For now, scram!”

Bazeer clenched his fists. “Give me your gadget.”

Lu Yin ignored Bazeer and shifted his gaze to Jenny Auna. “You’re quite bold as well, to run away from your clan and secretly elope. Return to the Auna family.”

Her face turned deathly white as she trembled.

Yan Feng stepped forward and glared menacingly at Lu Yin. “Just who do you think you are? How dare you disrupt my wedding ceremony!”

“Give me your gadget.” Bazeer suddenly grabbed at Lu Yin as he tried to signal Yan Feng with his eyes. He was not foolish, and he knew that he would not be able to snatch Lu Yin’s gadget in front of so many other people. He only wanted to join forces with Yan Feng to deal with Lu Yin, not with the intention of killing him, but rather of humiliating him. A person’s reputation was very important, and their master

plan was to make Lu Yin appear pathetic for appearing at his own fiancée's wedding to someone else. He would become a joke that lasted for his entire life.

It was a very malicious plan, but if it succeeded, it would leave behind an indelible stain no matter how high Lu Yin climbed in the future. Yan Feng was intentionally broadcasting all of this live, which meant that Lu Yin would have no hope of reprieve if it played out as planned.

Additionally, they could even "accidentally" kill him, since he was the one who was interrupting someone else's wedding. Such an offense was punishable by death, and no one would stand up for him if he did die in this way.

In San Dios, Lu Yin had no support, and this was all to his disadvantage.

This wedding ceremony had created a distinct opportunity to kill Lu Yin—one that no one could stop, and one with no strings attached. This was a special opportunity that bypassed all of Lu Yin's various statuses.

On the other side, Lu Yin had never believed that he would be able to resolve things just by saying a few words. He snorted when he saw Bazeer attempt to grab him, and he casually waved his hand, discharging a shockwave from off his clothes. He then raised a hand and swatted out.

Bang!

A rumble shook the heavens as a majestic, tsunami-like shockwave exploded and enveloped the entire courtyard. It even continued spreading further, covering all of San Dios.

On the Prairie Flame Continent, many looked up and saw a spherical shockwave spread out and disperse the clouds.

Many experts had to act together to withstand the aftershocks, and Yan Feng pulled Jenny Auna behind himself.

Lu Yin and Bazeer both fell back with a bang, but Lu Yin only took five steps back while Bazeer retreated seven steps.

This scene shocked many, as Bazeer was an elite Explorer whose abilities far surpassed the average cultivator's. He had also joined the Outerverse Youth Council, which was proof of his status as a genius of the younger generation. This sort of person's power undoubtedly greatly exceeded a normal Explorer's, but he had just been forced back by one of Lu Yin's palms when Lu Yin had actually been on the defensive.

This one palm shocked all of San Dios, and even Wen Sansi shivered; Lu Yin's physical body exceeded the Arbiter's imagination. This person had improved once again, but how had he managed to do so this quickly?

Bazeer stared at Lu Yin in shock. Although he knew that Lu Yin would be able to challenge him with the power that he had displayed during the Tournament of the Strongest, he never thought that it would be that effortless for him. The youth's power seemed to have transformed in just a few days.

Yan Feng similarly looked at Lu Yin, appalled. This was the first time they were meeting; he had only first heard Yan Gang mention Lu Yin less than three years ago, but this person had already become so powerful. This person could not be left alone.

“You deserve to die since you dared to disrupt this wedding,” Yan Feng shouted as he ferociously charged at Lu Yin. He retrieved his sword from his cosmic ring and slashed out at Lu Yin as flame swirled around the blade.

At the same time, Bazeer bellowed fiercely and made his move as well. A phantom image of a giant, savage bear appeared behind him. This was the Star Devouring Bear that was rumored to devour planets, and it was also Bazeer’s innate gift.

Lu Yin clenched his fists tightly, and a loud crack was heard. He was excited, as when he had first met Bazeer on Zenyu Star, the pressure from him had been nearly unsurmountable. Bazeer had represented a strength that Lu Yin couldn’t even imagine at the time since Bazeer had the strength to challenge a Cruiser and an innate gift as well. But in less than three years, Lu Yin had reached the point where he could challenge and even surpass him. Nothing was impossible in the future!

He had not forgotten the indescribably stifling humiliation that Bazeer had given him. Today, he would return everything back with interest; he had waited too long for this moment.

Yan Feng’s sword sliced the void open with a swish and then landed in front of Lu Yin. This person’s power level was 30,000, and he was another genius Explorer who was at the same level as Bazeer. Yan Feng far surpassed the Explorer pirate captain who Lu Yin had run into on his way to San Dios.

Lu Yin did not carelessly dismiss Yan Feng, and he raised his hand, only for it to turn into a claw. Firesmelt Planet was just a planet in the Outerverse, and the Great Yu Empire’s Skybeast Claw Technique was more than enough to deal with someone with such a background.

Bang!

A broiling inferno burst forth as the Skybeast Claw and the fiery sword clashed. The scorching shockwave roiled about as the void distorted before completely collapsing. Multiple spatial cracks radiated outwards, leaving raging flames in their wake.

On the other side, Bazeer punched at Lu Yin, his Star Devouring Bear innate gift supplementing his battle technique. This punch was enough to threaten a Cruiser and force one to evade it, but Lu Yin did not even think of retreating a single step. “I’m going to turn you into a dead bear on this day!”

As he raised a palm to attack, Lu Yin shouted, “Twenty Stacks, Fortyfold Shockwave Palm.”

Bang!

Earth-shattering explosions rung out through the city once again, and the terrifying force from the collision sent even Yan Feng retreating. Many of the spectators felt their chests tighten, and some of them even spat out blood before hurriedly backing off.

Some distance away, Puyu stepped forward, but just when he was about to act, Mira appeared. “Councilor Puyu, you shouldn’t be thinking of intervening.”

Puyu's face was solemn. "This is San Dios, not a playground."

"Yes, this is San Dios, not a wedding venue," Mira ridiculed back.

Puyu's eyes went cold.

Many screens lit up throughout the universe as people watched the wedding.

On Zenyu Star, Xueshan Auna was extremely nervous.

In the Innerverse, Nightqueen Yanqing sneered. No matter how strong Lu Yin was, he could not possibly defeat two Explorers who were qualified to join the Outerverse Youth Council. As long as the wedding was successfully held, Lu Yin would be finished, and his reputation would be ruined. The higher the Tournament of the Strongest raised him up, the further down he would plummet.

Many powerhouses appeared around San Dios to block the shockwaves from dispersing and harming others.

The courtyard was already ruined, and Lu Yin and Bazeer once again clashed and broke apart at the same time. The end result was still the same; Lu Yin held the upper hand.

Bazeer stared at Lu Yin in disbelief. He was already using his full force, and his power even surpassed that of a normal Cruiser, but he could not defeat this person.

"I already said that I'm going to beat you to a dead bear today!" Lu Yin shouted as he used Flash to appear in front of Bazeer before kicking out. Bazeer bellowed, and a shockwave exploded from his body as he attempted to push Lu Yin back. At that moment, Lu Yin's five-lined battle force materialized, and the dark-gold radiance appeared in the sky of San Dios for the first time, like a holy phenomena. It easily swept Bazeer's shockwave aside as Lu Yin placed both of his hands on Bazeer's chest. "Twenty Five Stacks, Fortyfold Shockwave Palm."

Bazeer's pupils shrank to pinpoints. Twenty-Five Stacks?!

A loud boom could be heard throughout the entire city as Bazeer violently spat out a mouthful of blood. His entire body was sent flying backwards, but at that moment, the skies turned red. Yan Feng's sword burned with an indescribable scorching heat as it sliced at Lu Yin. "Heart's Burning Sword."