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Chapter 871: Battleground

There were several terrifying beings in the seventh battlefield, each from different camps. They all stood above the rest and Luo Feng was clear, even if he gave it his all, using all his trump cards, he still wouldn't be a match for anyone of them. When the difference in power was too huge, nothing really mattered.

If one said that the bug queen Nan Cheng was one of them, then Black Tomb emperor was another.

Nan Cheng used her undying bug army to rule over the battlefield.

Black Tomb relied on his one Blood tomb blade, massacring many, he relied on brute force.

In terms of reputation, Black Tomb was higher! As for battle strength, it was hard to tell who was weaker between the two of them. In a small space where the undying bug army would be affected, Black Tomb could easily kill the entire army! If they had sufficient space, the bug army could easily attack over and over, that would be terrifying.

"Black Tomb emperor is proud in nature, he has offended countless warriors and is from the Qi Wang race. As he offended too many warriors, he fled to the outer region wars during his domain lord level. He then began a long journey of killing, growing till he was almost invincible at emperor level. The Qi Wang race had long treated him as a pillar of support, settling all his enemies from back then. Even giving him huge amounts of resources to grow." Luo Feng's mind reflected on the data he read before.

"Impressive."

"Growing from domain lord to such a level, if he was better in certain aspects, he would be akin to my teacher True Yan already." He thought.

Nan Cheng and Black Tomb were both close to invincible emperors.

The difference may not seem like much, but it got harder as one climbed higher. To perfect certain areas was simply too hard. For True Yan to reach invincible emperor level, it was extremely rare even in the trillions of races. The number of such undyings was even lower than the number of knights in total!

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Time passed and the warriors kept growing in numbers, all gathering in the many forbidden spaces and heading on to the next. They stayed for half an hour to half a day in each space before moving on. This kept on happening for two days and the number of warriors in each team grew to a shocking number.

"Just our batch alone has over 16,000 warriors." Tian Chen was shocked beside Luo Feng. "And we haven't even reached the final gathering spot, the other groups will make the number grow even more."

"Hm."

Luo Feng's gaze was however fixed on a warrior in the human camp. He carried seven different blades on his back, a human warrior. He was dressed in an ancient purple armor, wielding a special black glove on his hands. His forehead had the mark of seven blades and he gave off an incredibly amount of energy. Even the distant demon camp Black Tomb emperor felt it, so much so that he strengthened his bloodthirst.

"Seven Blade emperor!" Luo Feng muttered within.

Seven Blade emperor, a human warrior.

The number of warriors in the human side had already reached over 5,000 undyings, and over 90% of them were emperors. Just the emperor limits alone had reached tens of them. There were another ten emperor pinnacles proficient in soul attacks. Naturally the core of the group was no longer focused on Luo Feng or Tian Chen, but rather that Seven Blade emperor!

"According to teacher, Seven Blade has hopes of catching up with him and Heavenly Feather." Luo Feng thought.

Seven Blade was a spirit reader warrior.

He rose up from the Huge Axe dojo and was absorbed as a core genius. And he was the number one genius of that generation back then. Maybe in terms of talent and improvement speed he couldn't compare to Ke Di, or Luo Feng (Luo Feng has the golden horned beast and mosha bodies, at sector lord level, and his earth body was still at domain lord level. Hence, even though it appeared as though his improvement was incredibly fast, it wasn't as crazy as it seemed.)

But Seven Blade was still much higher than a genius like Bolan.

After becoming undying, he was taken in as a disciple by one of the universe masters of the Huge Axe dojo, later on rising up even further. In just a few tens of thousands of years, he was already close to Invincible emperor level, and was not far from True Yan and Heavenly Feather and some other ancient warriors.

The upper echelon of humanity favored Seven Blade and all regarded him as having high hopes of becoming a knight.

With humanity's nurture and that universe master's guidance...

Along with some of his own special encounters...

It resulted in the current Seven Blade emperor.

"This is a true disciple of a universe master."

"It's that universe master?"

"No idea, I heard it's from the Huge Axe dojo."

"Humanity sure is strong, we don't even have one universe master in our race, but they have enough to form five leviathans, everyone with a few within."

The human camp discussed in hushed tones. Not even mentioning Seven Blade's strength, just the title of being a disciple of a universe master alone was enough to allow him to lead the group. Because such a being...definitely wouldn't fall! What a joke, if a disciple of a universe master fell here, that would be more terrifying than the falling of a sealed star.

"Luo Feng, if you reveal your identity, you'd stand out even more than that Seven Blade!" Babata said mentally. "You are the disciple of the primal chaos city leader, and he is the number one person of the Virtual Universe Company. He defends the human sacred land primal chaos city, which is much stronger. And you were accepted at sector lord level."

"Stand out my ass, shut up." Luo Feng roared.

"So fierce!"

Babata didn't bother with Luo Feng anymore.

"Seven Blade?" Luo Feng glanced, it would be very hard for Luo Feng to defeat him at sector lord level, but once he broke through to undying, then defeating him would be easy.

"What a pity, I'm only sector lord level."

"Without getting the best choice for the third clone and producing it, I definitely cannot break through. My training time has been very short too and my law comprehension is not high, I'm in no rush to break through." Luo Feng had pondered hard about the third body. Just within Hong alliance, and the treasure trove, he had checked up on special beasts and their furs, blood etc.

However...

Whatever he could buy, there were a few better than the golden horned beast, yet they did not meet his expectations.

The universe did after all have some heavenly beasts, some with only one in the entire universe, like the beast god. Naturally Luo Feng only required a sector lord version of one of these beasts...

The human camp had a total of over 16,000 undyings, and all of them were from different parts of the universe, with different appearances. Some were flesh and blood life forms, some energy, some metal, some plants...the plant life forms were a huge species, even though plants like the cloud contact vine and star eating plant had weak consciousness.

There were some with intellect comparable to humans, some that looked similar to humans, only with different constructs within.

Rumble...

The mountain rumbled and revealed a huge incredibly deep hole, stars revolving within.

"Exit!"

"It's the exit!"

The four camps immediately moved, according to their distance from the exit. Over 16,000 undyings from all races entered the huge hole. The human camp was the third group to enter, after they flew in, they felt the time and space shift as they landed on a huge stone peak.

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A vast space, there floated many stone peaks, close to each other...they were like countless pebbles floating about, forming a huge pathway.

Luo Feng already had this experience, knowing that this was the void pathway. Following this would lead to the next forbidden space.

"Damn!" Luo Feng landed on a stone and gazed into the distant space, taking a deep breath. "So many warriors? This is simply a pathway to the next space. The number of warriors here should be much lower, yet over here there are over 100,000 undyings."

A blur of stones floated in the vast space.

Every one of them had a huge number of undyings gathered on top, the numbers was simply absurd. At this point alone, it had exceeded 100,000!

"The Hong alliance of the humans only has 100,000 emperors." Tian Chen stood beside him and smiled.

"And the quality of that 100,000 emperors isn't that high either." Luo Feng said.

"Of course it isn't." Tian Chen exclaimed. "This entire process, gathering more warriors from each space, especially the weak ones, after seeing the stronger warriors would naturally back off. They all fear losing their lives, along the way they would definitely leave."

The way to give up on the sealed star was simple...when the large groups entered the pathways, simply not follow them through and wait for the next one to leave alone, that would allow them to leave the groups.

"Also, many absolute warriors full of confidence around the seventh battlefield may also head over here after hearing the imminent fall of a sealed star."

"The super warriors of star tower are the same, teleporting via god countries over, heading close to the spot." Tian Chen exclaimed. "Hence of the over 100,000 undyings here, there are many absolute warriors. Look, the automaton Life Fall emperor, our race's Seven Blade, and that Da Long emperor...who isn't renowned here? Now that everybody is gathered here and there are so many in this pathway...this will probably be where the sealed star will fall."

"Hm." Luo Feng nodded.

The place where they could normally see the sealed stars was within these pathways. Hence the chances of it falling here was very high.

"Sealed star."

"Look, sealed star."

"It's appeared."

"The sealed star has appeared." The bustling over 100,000 undyings all focused their attention below immediately, Tian Chen and Luo Feng followed.

In the vast space below...a whirlpool of energy appeared and in its depths, a star was revolving and floating up.

Chapter 872: Alliance

Rumble...A rumble occurred from the huge whirlpool.

Within the whirlpool, the sealed star was revolving and floating up slower and slower, almost like it was being stopped by something.

"So many sealed stars!"

"There's got to be thousands of them."

"Wow!"

Shocked voices.

Around the huge whirlpool, revolving sealed stars were floating about. Every one of them with diameters of 9,000 km to 90,000 km. With one glance, there were thousands of them all moving gradually within, they were all revolving about the center of the whirlpool. The one sealed star that had floated out was the most glaring of the group...this scene immediately made the over 100,000 undyings there go crazy.

"Many of them already cannot wait." Luo Feng glanced.

"Yang."

Tian Chen called out to him beside, "Do you want the sealed star, don't tell me you don't want it."

Luo Feng glanced at him beside and smiled. "Who would come risk their life if they didn't want it? However, our chances of getting it are very low. There are over 100,000 undyings here, of which there's Nan Chen, Black Tomb, Da Long etc, a total of nine terrifying beings..."

"They are strong, but there are over 100,000 undyings here. Their individual strengths have been diminished, who would dare go against a group? Even the knights, if hit by a combined attack of over 100,000 emperors would die from the attack!" Tian Chen said, "I've already contacted the emperor limits, forming an alliance with about 1,000 allies around. We'll attack together and get the treasure."

"Over 1,000 allies forming an alliance?" Luo Feng was shocked.

"Hm." Tian Chen said. "I've already sent a request via the virtual universe system to have a meeting, allowing all those with access to enter."

This temporary meeting room, whether it was in the outer region wars or secret regions, undyings could frequently set them up under dire circumstances. The moment the request was approved, undyings invited could immediately enter and they could make quick decisions...naturally the cost wasn't small.

However it wasn't much to an emperor.

"I've sent mass mail out to remind them, we have to hurry and make a move to have a chance." Tian Chen said.

"Attention, I am Tian Chen emperor and I've sent out mail to you all. After reading it, please immediately head to the meeting room." Tian Chen communicated, making over 1,000 undying allies in the human camp exchange glances, all sending their consciousness into the virtual universe to check their mails.

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Virtual universe, within a special space, there were many islands there with several others floating in the sky. Every island had a magnificent meeting room. Anyone who requested to use these rooms could use them at any time.

Within the room, there was a huge round table, there were stone carved thrones about, a total of 1,000 of them.

Xiu! Xiu! Xiu! Xiu! Xiu! Xiu!

Silhouettes appeared around on the thrones, as the number of warriors grew. Luo Feng and Tian Chen appeared on thrones too. Within ten seconds, the 1,000 thrones were filled, almost all of them emperors.

"Attention all."

Tian Chen spoke, "According to the rules from before about the sealed star falling, from the time it appears to the time it falls, it has to slowly break through the barriers about it to finally fall. This would take quite some time. We still have time to plan now! However, the fight for the sealed star has attracted many warriors about, even Black tomb and Da Long and others have appeared...if we don't team up, we have no hope at all!"

"Right, we all came here not to watch them get the treasure." An undying with powerful energy covered in heavy armor said.

"There are a huge number of warriors. The moment the star falls, it'll be an all out war. A team that is too big will be hard to control, 1,000 undyings is just nice." Tian Chen continued. "We may not be a match for Black Tomb if we are alone, but with 1,000 of us, with almost all at emperor level, we won't have to worry too much. Also, there are eleven emperor limits and eight pinnacle emperor's proficient in soul attacks.

Luo Feng was shocked.

The percentage was really high. Among normal emperors...it was hard for even one out of hundred to hit emperor limit level! The main thing was that many of the weaker warriors had left early, leaving only the strong. Hence, the percentage was so high.

"There are over 1,000 emperors!"

"With our forces combined, even Da Long or Black Tomb wouldn't dare pick a fight with us alone." Tian Chen said, "With 1,000 of us...we have a chance."

"Tian Chen, who will the sealed star go to?" A distant other race undying immediately shouted.

"Very simple, when it first begins, we will combine forces." He smiled, "As to who gets the sealed star, that'll depend on luck. Whoever gets it...our alliance will automatically disband then! At least we are all allies in the army system, and we cannot kill each other. As for the one that gets the sealed star, he'll have to depend on his own fleeing ability. To expect others to help him after getting the treasure, even if I say it, I doubt anybody will do it."

"Haha..."

"Cackle..."

All sorts of laughter came from the group of undyings, they resounded throughout the meeting room.

"As to the plan, there's no need. When I send out the message, we will all help each other out later. I believe no emperor is that stupid!" Tian Chen said. "When we combine forces later, we only have one goal...when the sealed star falls, we will all get as close as possible. Whoever gets it will be up to luck and skill."

"Does everybody agree with my suggestion?" He looked around. "If there are any objection, please speak up."

The entire room was silent, no one said anything.

To be able to reach emperor level, they would all naturally be clear about the plan. Such an alliance...had to be naturally formed against beings like Da Long and Nan Cheng. Afterall, with over 100,000 emperors here, no one was here to play around, every body had ambition.

"Very good!" Tian Chen smiled.

"Our alliance is formed." A distant human warrior smiled too. It was a pinnacle emperor Cang Qi emperor. Normally, such alliances had humans as the core.

"We'll work together, as to who gets the sealed star and whether he can keep it, it'll depend on his own skill."

"Good!"

"Howl!"

"Battle!"

All sorts of noises were heard. Even other race languages could be heard, it was obvious the group was excited and filled with anticipation.

Actually, there was hope to flee with the sealed star. Like if Luo Feng or some others got it, he could immediately flee into their group of allies. While they may not be too happy about it, they wouldn't dare

betray him. And the other enemies would have no way to do combined attacks either. If they did, it would hit the other human warriors and they would naturally block it together.

In such a mess, having allies as shields definitely gave one the hope of surviving.

Of course...

The chances of falling was much higher!

However for the sealed star, the undyings here were all willing to take the gamble!

Luo Feng stood in mid air and looked around, clearly seeing the many undyings floating above the peaks, naturally forming their own groups and moving. It was obvious that they were secretly forming their alliances. Many of the warriors here didn't have the strength to match up to Da Long or Black Tomb or Seven Blade...however no one was willing to simply let them get away with it!

Even Luo Feng...

Even though he was on alert about everything within star tower, he too wanted to try and get the sealed star.

"Yang, Can Yu emperor." Tian Chen said, "We nine are all humans, we'll definitely be more united."

"Hm." Luo Feng nodded.

"But of course." A distant short white haired man with a white beard said.

Tian Chen, Luo Feng and Can Yu were the strongest of the nine humans.

What followed them were the pinnacle emperors and high emperors. The nine humans didn't have any low emperors or officials.

"It's a pity that Seven Blade won't help us." Cang Qi communicated, "If he joins us...we..."

"We would become cannon fodder!" Tian Chen roared. "Do you know how strong he is, and with his high position? Haven't you realized that there are many warriors that he's already bought over beside him? He is the disciple of a universe master, his wealth must be insane, buying these warriors over. These warriors know their chances of getting the sealed star are very low. But, to get some benefit and make allies with Seven Blade, there are many would be willing."

"If it was me, I'd be willing too." Cang Qi muttered.

"You punk." Tian Chen couldn't even force a smile.

"Stop messing about, look below." Can Yu shouted.

Luo Feng and the group of nine humans all looked down. That sealed star within the whirlpool was floating upwards...however it fought hard against a formless pressure. As it floated, Luo Feng could visibly see ripples, countless ripples holding the star back.

Whether it was that sealed star that was about to fall or the other thousands revolving about, they were all held back by the same ripples.

"That's the energy of star tower, it holds back the countless sealed stars!"

"We cannot get close." Tian Chen said softly. "If we forcefully pierce through that barrier, we will definitely fall. No warrior here has the guts to do that, and they are all waiting for the sealed star to fall itself, everybody is being careful. When the star breaks through later, even though the barrier will be broken and there'll be no energy holding back the thousands of stars, we'll be able to actually fly to the countless stars. However, don't ever do that, unless a star falls on its own, even a universe master is unable to forcefully take it away, the result of such greed is only one...death!"

Minutes and seconds passed as the sealed star rushing upwards got stronger and stronger.

Weng weng weng...that formless pressure around created a ripple that was visible to all.

Almost like a soap bubble, above a sewing needle, no matter how solid and sturdy the bubble was...as long as the needle reached the bubble, it would pop.

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Time passed and the blur of warriors all looked down, all patiently waiting.

Rumble...an explosion shook the space about.

Xiu!

The sealed star that was rushing upwards immediately shot up, becoming a glaring light and rushing into the sky.

The sealed star...had emerged!

Chapter 873: Killing

Over 100,000 undyings from all over the universe gathered here. When the sealed star rushed up, it was like a stone breaking the surface of water, the silence was instantly broken! The vast group of undyings all began to move, all sorts of long distance attacks instantly erupted!

Rumble...

The originally calm space around was like a piece of paper, as it tore apart and countless fragments were thrown all around. Countless fragments caused the flight for many undyings to get a lot harder.

"Space lock."

"Space lock."

The instant the sealed star erupted, a large amount of pinnacle emperors unleashed space lock, as they didn't want to allow the other warriors to teleport to the sealed star and take it away.

"Quick, rush forward."

"Go."

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"The space has been locked, teleportation is useless, let's combine forces, hurry." Tian Chen hurriedly communicated.

Luo Feng who had wanted to let Heavy Arrow teleport him over saw that space had crumbled into countless fragments, and its regeneration speed couldn't keep up with the rate of destruction. With large amounts of warriors unleashing space lock, he could only order, "Heavy Arrow, give up on teleporting, let's fly over!"

"Yes master."

"Remember, keep your god energy around me at all times, stop any warriors from using soul attacks on me." Luo Feng ordered mentally. His greatest weakness was his soul defense, even though he had beast god howl with 32 times soul amplification combined with emperor level law comprehension, and a terrifying willpower! Also the golden horned beast naturally had a strong consciousness!

Many things combined!

It made his soul defense akin to a high official!

After the silver armor and the Sha Wu wings diffused most of the attacks, even a high emperor proficient in soul attacks would find it hard to kill him. But he could still be affected by the soul attack. And a pinnacle emperor proficient in soul attacks was able to be a huge threat to him, of course that's only if he didn't burn his undying body. If he did, even a low emperor would be able to kill Luo Feng's earth body.

Luckily...

There were very few proficient in soul attacks! Luo Feng hadn't suffered before, but there were over 100,000 warriors here, there were plenty of such warriors.

Even though his earth body was only one of the bodies, which is able to be reborn after destruction, but to have his soul destroyed here under such circumstances would be disastrous.

"Yes master." Heavy Arrow followed him.

They rushed towards the sealed star, the other 1,000 undyings about did the same.

"Block!"

"Block!" Tian Chen shouted hurriedly.

Luo Feng and the group all released undying energy attacks together to form a combined barrier and shield to block the terrifying attacks.

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Rumble! Rumble! Rumble! Rumble!

An all out war!

Over 100,000 undyings from the four camps, were made up of over 95% emperors. They had already secretly formed their own alliances before. Be it an alliance of 500, 1,000 or 2,000, the combined attacks may not be as precise as a bug army attack, but its power was terrifying. There was only one way to block such attacks...

Similarly using hundreds to thousands of warriors together to defend.

"Madness." Luo Feng held his breath. Even with his powerful defense, he didn't dare go up against such combined attacks.

"Block."

"Be careful."

"Rush, go, go."

Tian Chen and the other emperor limits or pinnacles proficient in soul attacks all shouted anxiously.

"Not good." Luo Feng was naturally safe within the group. Looking in the distance where the sealed star was, there were already large amounts of warriors getting close. The attacks and explosions there were the most terrifying. This made Luo Feng's expression change, "When we were together earlier, with tens of thousands from the human camp together, even though we split into our little groups, we wouldn't attack each other. The distant attacks would only occasionally hit us, we only needed to defend once or twice. In all, it wasn't too dangerous."

"However, getting close to the sealed star...it's a complete mess." Luo Feng had the feeling that his group may have the first casualty.

"Rush!"

They were only a group of 1,000 undyings, rushing forward as a group towards the sealed star. Simultaneously, the other tens of groups were doing the same. The teams lagging behind all gritted their teeth and attacked over and over at those rushing at the sealed star!

Rumble..." The area near the star constantly had explosions, the space around had been completely destroyed, leaving nothing but stream particles.

Even though the teams were getting close, no one dared to rush in.

Because the combined attacks from the teams that landed on the sealed star itself were all already capable of killing knights. The sealed star was truly a treasure even knights would go crazy for. Such attacks didn't even scratch it, as the teams got closer, there were less teams behind and the attacks got weaker.

And as the number of teams getting close to the sealed star grew, they could easily work together to defend the attacks from behind.

It may seem slow!

In truth, in the twelfth second after the sealed star erupted, the star was finally not attacked, because the earlier attacks had knocked it so much it flew downwards.

"Grab the treasure!"

"Grab it!"

The many undyings all madly rushed at the sealed stuff. In an instant, over 10,000 undyings rushed towards the surface of the star. This was a star that was the size of a planet. Even with over 100,000 undyings landing on it, there would still be plenty of room. The undyings used their greatest speed to send their undying energy into the sealed star, wanting to leave their soul imprint.

To control a treasure, one had to completely leave a spirit imprint, and this had to be done within the shortest amount of time.

However with over 10,000 undyings, the difference between the fastest and slowest was probably less than 0.1 seconds. In such a short time, with so many imprints...naturally they all failed.

Leaving an imprint required one to be alone and not disturbed. The treasure could afterall only have one master.

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Luo Feng and his team were the second group to land on the sealed star, there were already over 30,000 undyings then.

"How will this work." Luo Feng rubbed the star, failing as he shook his head. More and more undyings were gathering on the star, 40,000, 50,000, 60,000...

Rumble!

A terrifying combined attack instantly descended from afar.

The thousands of undyings on the star surface immediately unleashed their defenses, easily blocking the attack. However the force of the attack...knocked the star downwards even faster.

Rumble! Rumble! Rumble!

The many attacks from afar were easily blocked by the undyings on the star.

"It's them." Luo Feng glanced. There were about 30,000 undyings floating in mid air in their groups. Among this group, Da Long, Black tomb and Seven Blade, the nine terrifying beings all led their own teams, they didn't rush over at all.

"The strong and the weak have different methods." Luo Feng thought. "Tian Chen and the others are weaker, they can only rush to get to the star first. And the absolute beings like Da Long, even if a lucky undying got the star, they have a guarantee of killing him and taking the treasure from him."

"Flee!"

"Quickly flee!"

A piercing order resounded, many undyings around quickly spread the word as they madly fled from the star.

Rumble...the sealed star was already moving extremely fast downwards. Even though the formless pressure below was broken, it was still the energy of star tower. The ripples formed after grew even more violent, some fleeing from it were hit by attacks from other undyings. Even if they didn't die, they were knocked backwards, into the mad star tower energy...

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Whether it was a low emperor or pinnacle emperor or even an emperor limit, the moment they were hit downwards and unable to dodge, flying into the energy ripples, they would instantly be reduced to ashes. Some warriors' weapons were instantly destroyed, while some world rings broke as well. The better rings may not break.

"What terrifying power." Luo Feng was shocked.

That formless barrier was stable before, forcing back the countless sealed stars and the terrifying force behind it.

Now that it was broken.

The formless barrier itself became a mad source of energy. Combined with the other similar energies around, it produced the mysterious energy of star tower...easily destroying the emperors. Whoever touched it would die without doubt.

"Treasure."

"Di She emperor's world ring."

"It's mine."

The danger from below where the thousands of sealed stars were located, terrified all the warriors above. However those unlucky ones that died left behind huge amounts of treasure that floated about, making many rush to get them. Because the powerful energies pushed the items left behind up, it was easy to take the treasures.

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Amidst the mess, the nine absolute warriors led their teams, seemingly in no rush.

"You think the sealed star would be so easy to get?" The automaton warrior Life Fall emperor gazed coldly from afar, he was dressed in gold armor with black skin. "They are too anxious. The tens of thousands of exits haven't even appeared. Even if they get the star, they won't be able to flee, they'll only become a target."

He had forgotten...

The other undyings weren't as powerful as he was. If they didn't make their move early and stood in the distance, waiting till the final moment, they would have no chance at all.

"Getting the sealed star is the second goal, Seven Blade is the first." He shot a look at the distant Seven Blade emperor.

The automaton race had detailed information about the Seven Blade emperor. He was their number three target on their list to assassinate amongst the human geniuses.

Ranked number one was the genius sector lord Luo Feng who was comparable to Ke Di, and was accepted as a disciple of the terrifying primal chaos city leader. According to their information, Luo Feng should be in the outer region wars, with many undyings dying by his hand, after which he disappeared, he should be hiding from the danger.

Ranked number two was Dream Fire emperor.

Ranked third was Seven Blade emperor.

Chapter 874: Luo Feng Waiting

Humanity was one of the four pinnacle races. Anyone able to be ranked as the third genius on their assassination list must have extraordinary talent, mental strength and encounters, like Seven Blade emperor. The automaton race had already confirmed that he had the treasure seven blades, and others like Space Grasp etc. He should have also gotten some special inheritance from the universe master before.

"The inheritance he got may very likely be from the universe top power, the Ancestor Gods, and it's the ultimate inheritance." Life Fall emperor said, "If he keeps growing, he will definitely become a terrifying being in humanity."

"We must kill him."

"Make him fall, even if his teacher reverses time and space to revive him, the cost of reviving such a warrior that's close to invincible emperor and with such a terrifying inheritance, will definitely be akin to reviving a knight. And his treasure, seven blades, along with the space grasp and other things...will come to us." Life Fall looked at the distant team that Seven Blade emperor led.

Seven Blade emperor carried his seven blades on his back and floated in space, gazing at the distant sealed star, not rushing at all.

"Get ready." Life Fall ordered secretly.

The automaton race were extremely strict and orderly, akin to the most organized race in the entire universe, with the characteristics of living Als, they were incredibly synchronized. The highest authority here was Life Fall emperor, the others would follow his orders all the way. As for the other races under the automaton camp, they too had acquired the virtual world system from them, the rewards given within made them submit too.

"Target the Seven Blade emperor."

"Sixth formation."

"Activate the separating tower!"

"Attack!"

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When the bug queen Nan Chen, Da Long, Seven Blade and Life Fall emperors were watching the fight, the sealed star was knocked so far low it landed in the danger region. The moment it hit that part, many emperors instantly fell, causing fear amongst the rest.

"Items."

"World rings."

"Grab them!"

The tens of fallen undyings had left behind many items that the rest fought to get their hands on.

"Haha...The bottom area is dangerous. It's filled with the mad energy of star tower itself. The moment one touches it, he will fall! It's usually very hard for us to kill the other emperors. However, now as long as we knock them into that area, they will die without a doubt."

"Kill." The large portion of undyings that had just fled from the dangerous region immediately began to fight it out.

While they may have stayed in their groups when they rushed towards the sealed star, now, everything was in a complete mess. Everybody fought for survival, as they distanced themselves from the sealed star. The camps began to fight each other, the teams were all gone. Only the camps in general were left.

Rumble!

Rumble!

Spirit weapons, soul attacks, energy attacks, automaton weapon attacks...amidst the fragmented space, some unlucky warriors were pushed into the dangerous regions and instantly destroyed.

"Grab them all!"

"Haha, I've been waiting for this moment. The sealed star isn't something I can get, but using the dangerous region, I can actually kill many other camp emperors. I may easily get tens of billions to hundreds of billions." A six armed human giant killed excitedly.

Whether it was the humans, automatons, demons or bugs, or the other countless races, they were all killing and grabbing whatever they could!

"It's madness. The sealed star can only have one owner. Hence, many will die because of it." Luo Feng looked around at the dangerous region below. "But that region can easily wipe out these emperors with undying bodies, this is a rare chance. Those emperor limits have gone all out..."

Suddenly...

"Ang!!!"

A jade green light rippled throughout, instantly covering the vast space, stunning the over 100,000 emperors. Luo Feng and Heavy Arrow were both stunned too, and they looked over. In the distance, Life Fall led his automaton team with over 100 automaton warriors.

They all wielded a 3m tall tower like weapon, and Life Fall emperor had one that was close to 20m tall.

There were close to 900 other emperors that simultaneously burnt their undying bodies, every eight or nine of them supporting each automaton warrior, creating terrifying energies to pour into the towers. The over 100 towers...all gave off a terrifying pulse network that gathered in Life Fall emperor's huge tower.

After which...

One ripple of jade green light pulsed through the area and shot straight at Seven Blade's team.

"Separation tower!" Seven Blade's usual calm expression suddenly changed greatly, and his eyes were filled with shock. "The automatons are going all out for me!"

"Burn! Act according to the plan I said earlier!" He shouted madly.

As one of the nine super powers here.

Seven Blade had already set up a plan for offense and defense earlier.

None of the emperors under him hesitated. The automaton side was aiming straight at Seven Blade. If they didn't act, he would die without a doubt. However, the ripples from the attack alone was enough to kill them all! Hence the human camp warriors all simultaneously burnt their undying bodies...

The peculiar thing was, they dispersed the energy from their burnt undying bodies into mid air.

"Howl..." Seven Blade opened his large mouth.

A gold river shot right out. This gold river had many ancient beast statues along its side, of which there was the beast god statue too. In the center of it, there was a barren spot, as it shot out, it instantly swallowed all the dispersed energy from the human camp.

Rumble...the energies rushed in.

The ancient river swallowed all the energy and erupted, instantly spreading a formless gold net that completely covered the over 1,000 warriors of the human camp. Rumble...the jade green beam shot out from the separation tower hit the gold net, ancient beast images appeared throughout the gold net.

"It's really the Ancestor gods!" Life Fall gritted his teeth at the scene, "My guess was right."

This was the first time Seven Blade revealed the ancient gold river.

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Luo Feng was stunned. The separation tower was a super weapon from the automaton race, and its price was comparable to true treasures. However he didn't expect Seven Blade to take out the ancient

gold river. Just its energy and the beasts projections about...made all the warriors there know that this was a terrifying treasure.

One had to know that the automaton Life Fall had long prepared his plan and unleashed his strongest attack.

And even though Seven Blade reacted on the spot, and the amount of undying energy the human camp burnt was far from the automaton side, the net formed from the gold river was still sufficiently strong enough to diffuse the attack from the separation tower. It was obvious the gold river's defence far exceeded the tower.

"Strong."

"Terrifying."

The many undyings were all shocked, losing all confidence in getting the sealed star.

"Kill."

"Kill."

The four camps were in an all out war. Close to 100,000 warriors were fighting and madly killing, and any warrior caught close to the danger region because of the fights instantly fell.

Weng! Weng! Weng! Weng! Weng! Weng!

Space fell apart around them.

Many exits appeared everywhere, and thousands of them were visible.

"The tens of thousands of exits!"

"The exits have appeared!"

Anyone who's seen the history of the sealed star falling would know that once the killing got too extreme within the area, many exits would appear and each exit led to individual forbidden spaces. One could swiftly head to any of them and leave the area.

As long as one left, they could escape.

"Flee."

"Let's hurry and go." The weaker warriors were completely shocked by the madness, heading to the closest exits and leaving.

"Kill."

"Kill them all."

"There won't be another chance if they escape." The emperor limits and pinnacle emperors however were going all out. They wanted to make use of the dangerous region to kill as many as they could to take all their treasures and remains. To them, there would never be such an easy chance to kill so many emperors. Even though Luo Feng had come here, he wasn't as crazy about the sealed star as the others. Even towards killing the other emperors, he wasn't that interested. If there was any interest at all, it only towards the entire star tower itself.

"That calling that exceeded the king armor, even the black metal board."

"Yet I cannot become its master."

"The moment I came so much happened, and a sealed star even fell." Luo Feng thought. He didn't think of this as a coincidence at all, about the strong calling that brought him here and the fact that the star chose to fall only when he came. Was there such coincidence in the universe? Maybe so, but the chances were extremely low.

Luo Feng believed that there was something special here. Because of the calling of the star tower, the sealed star naturally didn't interest him too much.

Hence...

He simply followed along and mixed in with the teams, and when they rushed, he did so too. Until he got to the sealed star, he didn't run around randomly, and simply stayed close to Tian Chen and Cang Qi emperor along with the other strong warriors. Later on, when the star entered the dangerous regions, he fled along with the large group.

In all, he was just tagging along and mixed in with the army, quietly observing everything and seeing if there was any difference between this star's falling with those in the past.

But in overall till now, there hadn't been anything special.

"If my guess is right."

"During the process of the star falling, there should be something special." Luo Feng had been waiting for that moment.

Chapter 875: Unexpected Twist

Luo Feng mixed in with the huge camps and teamed up with Tian Chen, Cang Qi and Qu Wu emperor. Even though he didn't purposely kill the other undyings, Qu Wu was an emperor limit and Tian Chen was a pinnacle emperor proficient in soul attacks. The two would do a lot of combined attacks!

That plus the complete mess the place was in, several items that were thrown around by emperors killed would occasionally fly to Luo Feng's little team's side.

"In just a few minutes, even I've gotten over ten billion mixed elements worth of wealth." Luo Feng was stunned, "It's no wonder all the emperors have gone crazy."

There was both death and wealth about!

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Madness!

Within the vast space, there were thousands of exits. However, amidst the ripples of fights, the space around would crumble, but new exits kept appearing...

"Be careful everybody!" Tian Chen shouted anxiously, "I've gotten hit by a soul attack!"

"What?"

"Tian Chen, you got hit by a soul attack?"

Qu Wu, Cang Qi and Luo Feng were all shocked.

"The demon camp has about ten warriors heading over, amongst which there's Chi Mang emperor who's another pinnacle emperor proficient in soul attacks. I've fought with him several times before, I don't have a guarantee on dealing with him." Tian Chen said, "They are already here!"

The others had already seen. In the distance, twelve demon camp warriors were rushing over to them.

"Tian Chen!" The leader was extremely ugly. He had four animal like limbs. He roared out loudly.

"Qu Wu!" A 10km long double headed dragon roared too.

"Blade River!"

The elite demon team had obviously caught on to Luo Feng's little team.

On Luo Feng's side, they had Qu wu and Heavy Arrow who were both emperor limits. Blade River's name had long spread far and wide, and they all treated him as another emperor limit too. Tian Chen too could be treated the same. Only Cang Qi was as well renowned. In all, Luo Feng's team...could be said to have four emperor limits. This was also the reason why they could stay safe before and get treasures from around them.

And for the demon team to rush over, it meant they had confidence.

The twelve warriors had six emperor limits! And that Chi Mang emperor had fought with Tian chen in star tower before, but they couldn't finish each other off. Even though he couldn't kill Tian Chen, stopping him wasn't a problem.

"Let's retreat." Qu Wu ordered.

Howl...

The dual head dragon from the demon side howled, unleashing a time control on the area Luo Feng's team was in.

Time stop!

"Break!" Their team all howled within, unleashing their strength to return the time flow back to normal.

"Haha, Tian Chen, you will die this time." Chi Mang smiled widely, his laughter piercing.

"Kill them."

"What a rare chance."

The demon elite team were all incredibly excited.

The amount of wealth they could get from killing this team was crazy, especially that Blade River emperor that had gotten the sacrificial tower treasure before, who was able to make the comatose Heavy Arrow recover in such a short time. His wealth was well known throughout.

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Amidst the 100,000 undyings war, Luo Feng's team fight wasn't very glaring.

Their side had five warriors, and four of them were considered emperor limits.

The demon side had twelve warriors, and six of them were emperor limits. However, with the six combined together, it gave them the strength of one more extra emperor limit.

Luo Feng's side was disadvantaged.

The battle immediately sunk into madness.

"I can only stop Chi Mang." Tian Chen said urgently.

"I can only temporarily stop two emperor limits combined." Qu Wu was anxious too. "Blade River, can you withstand them?"

"Leave it to me." Luo Feng gritted his teeth.

There was no way.

Even though he had the strongest flame god crystal, the explosion wouldn't differentiate allies from foes. What's more, the enemy side had six emperor limits, and their combined defense could completely withstand the blast. If he detonated all three crystals he had on him, there was still some hope then, however that would probably mean his side would be gone too.

"First kill those emperor pinnacles." Luo Feng ordered Heavy Arrow.

Hua! Luo Feng flapped his wings and brought Heavy Arrow along. Fast like lightning, making the demon camp have no way to catch up with him.

"We can't catch him!"

"This Blade River is too fast."

"Deal with Tian Chen and Qu wu first! We'll combine strengths later to settle Blade River." The demon camp swiftly made the decision to give up on chasing Luo Feng.

However even if they did so...Luo Feng wouldn't let them go.

Luo Feng brought Heavy Arrow and rushed towards the emperor pinnacles, "Pu chi! Pu Chi!" Heavy Arrow wielded the two arc blades and slashed them., one pinnacle fell...

Death!

Death!

Luo Feng himself fought against the other pinnacle. Using the Sha Wu wings to tear through his defense before using the poison shadow blade. He slashed through 50% of his undying body, decreasing his strength before using another slash to almost kill him.

In the blink of an eye.

Heavy Arrow had dealt with three emperor pinnacles and Luo Feng had settled one.

"Ah..." When the four pinnacles of the demon camp fell, the human side's Cang Qi emperor howled. He was knocked into the danger region and instantly reduced to nothing...Can Qi had fallen!

Rumble!

Qu wu was simultaneously attacked by three emperor limits, narrowly avoiding the danger region and escaping. He was shivering within as he said, "Yang, Tian Chen, let's faster flee, I can't hold on any longer."

"I can't flee." Tian Chen was anxious too. He was facing off against Chi Mang and another emperor limit and was in extreme danger.

Luo Feng was panicking too. In an instant, his side had fallen into such a predicament, and even Cang Qi had fallen. "Heavy Arrow, go help Qu Wu. Your defense is strong, you should be able to take the two to there emperor limits."

That emperor limit that killed Cang Qi was flying towards Qu Wu. Qu Wu would then be attacked by four emperor limits at the same time.

"Yes master."

"I'll go help Tian Chen." Luo Feng flapped his wings and flew towards him.

According to his plan, Heavy Arrow was able to block two to three of the enemies. With him teamed up with Qu Wu...even with the four emperor limits attacking them, they could withstand it.

Tian Chen however was in danger...

His strength was close to Chi Mang, and at this time another emperor limit was helping Chi Mang. The only reason Tian Chen could hold on was because he had already burnt his undying energy to fight back. Chi Mang and his partner had done the same and the battle was intense.

Chi!

A blurry huge hammer silhouette smashed hard into Tian Chen, causing him to spit out blood, falling fast. Below him was the danger region.

"Tian Chen." Luo Feng flapped his wings and formed an arc line, rushing to stop him.

Rumble!

With the burnt undying energy, one could only imagine how strong that attack was. Luo Feng held on and slowed him down but he too was dragged down.

"Yang." Tian Chen looked urgently at Luo Feng.

Weng!

A formless soul illusion attack...was sent from Chi Mang above, hitting Luo Feng.

While he was hit, Luo Feng lost control of his body and flew downwards. This made the distant Heavy Arrow change his expression to fear as he shouted, "Master!!!"

"Yang!" Tian Chen had pained look too as he rushed downwards at him.

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Tian Chen seemed like he was in pain, but his eyes gleamed with a cold excitement.

"Hahaha...I'm truly to going to get a heavenly gift this time!"

"Back then I managed to control Chi Mang's soul, allowing him to return to stay in the demon camp, that was indeed a wise move." He was extremely excited.

Tian Chen was a master at soul control.

He had led a hard life and faced a lot of adversity. It made him have a special view of the world. He passionately made friends with a large group of people, anyone who interacted with him would all think he was not a bad person!

Within however...he was completely something else.

He had indeed fought with Chi Mang several times before. That third time they met, he used his soul techniques to control the enemy and Chi Mang became his soul slave! There was no way to see it on the surface, plus the demon camp's army system communication was that weak.

They didn't have the human or automaton's army scanning system.

The way they accumulated contribution points required them to record everything and pass it on, and they could only send messages. This allowed him to control Chi Mang emperor...and because of the poor communication system, no one could discover the changes within him.

Hence...

Chi Mang continued to stay within the demon camp, occasionally going out for missions with his partners, later on they would accidentally meet and work together. He had done this three times before! Once, they managed to work together to control another emperor limit Mist emperor.

This time with the falling of the sealed star, they immediately realized the chance. When he met Luo Feng, he was immediately happy, "Haha, Yang? Blade River? This is a big fish. I heard that he got the treasure of the sacrificial tower, and he could even make Heavy Arrow recover that quickly...his wealth must be much more than the normal emperor limits."

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Hence, he had ordered Chi Mang and Mist to immediately bring along some demon friends to attack them together.

The two of them were both controlled by him!

And when Chi Mang had teamed up with another emperor limit before to attack Tian Chen...Tian Chen and Chi Mang had both burnt their undyings bodies to pretend. In truth, they teamed up to attack the other emperor limit together. Two masters at soul attacks burning undying bodies, their first goal was to control that emperor limit. If that didn't work they would kill him...

However the result was a success.

"The heavens are helping me, how hard is it to control an emperor limit. Even if I burnt my undying body and even though both Chi Mang and I are proficient in soul attacks, even with all these...the chances are all very low. And I actually succeeded. Hahaha..." Tian Chen was incredibly excited.

Hence...

The fight this time, Tian chen had already three emperor limits helping him, no one on either side knew about this at all.

"You are all my targets."

"Your treasure and wealth is all mine!" He crazed madly within.

To become an absolute warrior of the universe...

One either had special encounters or powerful teachers.

Without any or both, one had to create their own chances. Tian Chen had happened to control Chi Mang and let him return normally back to the demon camp. With the demon camp's poor system, it allowed this to go on for awhile and gave him the chance to rise up.

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He pretended to be knocked far back simply to lure Luo Feng to save him. Luo Feng naturally rushed in but was hit by Chi Mang's attack, falling quickly.

"Yang!" Tian Chen rushed down with a pained look, within however he thought, "Your wealth is mine, it's mine! No one else will get it!" He watched as Luo Feng fell towards the danger region. Fearing that his wealth would get stolen by other warriors, hence he was the first to rush in after him.

"Yang!"

"Yang!" Tian Chen rushed downwards.

"Master!" The distant Heavy Arrow couldn't care about Qu Wu, and immediately rushed over. Qu Wu didn't dare fight against the four emperor limits, quickly retreating with Heavy Arrow and flying towards Luo Feng.

However, no matter how fast they flew, how could they catch up?

They looked on...

Luo Feng was about to fall into the danger region.

"Hmph!" Luo Feng's eyes gleamed as he awoke. Back then when he took part in the genius battles, his mental state had already reached the first level's limit, long reaching the level of Knowing oneself. However, he had yet to reach the second level, pushing the limit as he grew.

Primal chaos city, outer region wars, the thousands of years of training, yet he stayed at this limit!

Madly refining it!

It made his beliefs incredibly sturdy! His willpower grew more and more terrifying! The ancestors of china probably didn't have thousands of years to refine their mental states.

His heart and mind had long been refined into a diamond, and was able to see through anything without a single speck of dust. It was sharp and piercing. This was his mental state! Even when hit by a soul attack...he may be in slight trouble, he may have to let the golden horned beast appear.

But illusion?

Luo Feng could use his willpower to break through!

"Tian Chen!!!" Luo Feng looked at him, his eyes filled with madness, "It's you!"

The moment Luo Feng awoke...he knew Tian Chen had planned this!

Firstly, Tian Chen was a master at soul attacks. He knew Luo Feng would come save him, how could he allow the enemy Chi Mang's attack to hit Luo Feng? Would he commit such a grave error?

Secondly, when Luo Feng held on to Tian Chen, in theory, Tian Chen should have been strongly fighting against the force of the attack. However, he not only didn't fight back, but when Luo Feng held on to him, he even pushed Luo Feng alittle more! When Luo Feng felt the force of the attack...he was hit by the illusion!

Force, Illusion, perfect combination.

Everything was prepared perfectly for Luo Feng! He was supposed to die from this!

"Not good." Tian Chen noticed Luo Feng awoke and was shocked. He had guessed that Luo Feng knew the secret, however his eyes flashed coldly. "It's too late, the distance to the danger region is too close and the force of him falling is too strong, there's no way to stop now."

"It's too late." Luo Feng noticed this too. The force of his fall was too strong and even with the Sha Wu wings, he had no way to dodge the vast danger region.

He flipped his hand and produced a strongest flame god crystal, ready to detonate.

"I am not able to escape, I'll use the crystal to escape and use its force to push me up." Luo Feng's reaction was simple and deadly, "During the explosion, the close distance will also kill that evil Tian Chen!"

"Not good." Tian Chen's expression changed, "He's trying to kill us all together!"

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However just as Luo Feng took out the flame god crystal, a majestic irresistible mysterious energy instantly covered Luo Feng, a voice resounding within his ears, mind and consciousness, "Child, come here!"

Hua!

With over 100,000 undyings madly fighting it out above, even Da Long, Life Fall and Seven Blade, with thousands of exits crumbling and new ones appearing, one suddenly appeared before Luo Feng, making him unable to even dodge. In truth, that mysterious energy had actually guided him into it.

Xiu!

Luo Feng wielded the flame god crystal and rushed through the exit, leaving the space.

Chapter 876: Receiver

Tian Chen, who was regretting and in fear after seeing Luo Feng take out the strongest flame god crystal was relieved to discover him fall into an exit, leaving the space altogether.

"I survived!" He gushed.

"My luck is not bad, I managed to work with Chi Mang before to control an emperor limit. I thought that was lucky enough, and now even as Yang took out the strongest flame god crystal at the last moment, right before my death, who would have expected an exit to appear right there and suck him in...allowing me to live on!"

"Luck."

Tian Chen was celebrating within, after which he thought, "Is this where my era begins?"

Even though his plan against Luo Feng failed, allowing Luo Feng to know his true colors, he wasn't worried or regretful. Afterall compared to keeping his life, what was having one more enemy to him?

"I have two emperor limit slaves, and Chi Mang who is close to my level of strength. Also amidst this mad war, I can use this strength to get more wealth...huge wealth to raise my strength even further! With such strength, would I still fear a Blade River emperor?"

"Hm!"

"Since I failed this plan, there are three more emperor limits on the demon side, and I have Chi Mang and Heavy Arrow to deal with." He immediately made a decision. "I'll first let the demon side deal with Qu Wu and Heavy Arrow, then I'll secretly use them to get rid of the demon side emperor limits not under my control."

This was his ideal plan. However, even if he just killed the three emperor limits, his earnings would already be shocking.

If he could soul control another, then that would be his lucky day.

"Master!" Heavy Arrow rushed over.

Weng!

The exit Luo Feng escaped through crumbled.

"Master!" Heavy Arrow called out within. However it wasn't as crazy as before, at least his master wasn't in danger.

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Luo Feng was wrapped in that mysterious energy, unable to resist as he went through the exit. The calling resounding in his mind. "Child, come!"

After entering the exit, he didn't appear in another forbidden space, rather, he flew along a colorful pathway.

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A beautiful pathway.

Luo Feng was wrapped around and was flying continuously. The space around him warped and he could see huge sealed stars around enormous pillars. There were many treasures with powerful energies, only Luo Feng couldn't visibly see them clearly.

"Heavy Arrow, Heavy Arrow." Luo Feng called out mentally to Heavy Arrow.

The soul slave and his master had a binding via their souls.

As long as the distance between them wasn't absurd, they could communicate via their souls. Since they were still both within star tower, no matter how far they were within, with their soul strength, they could easily communicate.

"Master, are you ok?" Heavy Arrow asked.

"I'm fine. Remember, Tian Chen is evil. He tried to kill me earlier and I almost died...and I suspect that the demon side's Chi Mang has a deal with him. Anyway, tell this to Qu Wu and flee as fast as possible. Mix in with the other humans and bear with it. First leave the space and star tower, and wait for me to return."

"Yes master."

Luo Feng relaxed a little.

It wasn't that he didn't want revenge. But, he had tried to save Tian Chen but was actually used and almost killed! No matter who it was...they would definitely want to take revenge, however Tian Chen was after all still a human.

With the threat of the army system, Luo Feng didn't dare go against an ally!

Killing an ally meant death, it would result in large amounts of the human camp combining their strengths to assassinate him. Even his teacher the primal chaos city leader wouldn't be able to save him.

This was afterall the ironclad system set in place by the humans and the countless other races, how could he go against it?

"I cannot go against the army system."

"But there are loopholes." Luo Feng thought. "Like the army system relies on scanning to observe the battles before making its decisions. And the scanning relies on the scanning devices. These devices naturally have limitations, just like when I went to save Tian Chen earlier and he secretly added more force to the fall...the devices have no way to measure that."

"Even so, that Tian Chen..."

"I treated you as a brother and you tried to kill me. If I don't kill you, how will I find peace?" Luo Feng was raging within. "The army system is a disciplinary authority on the soldiers. When I choose to retire later on, I won't be a soldier of the human camp anymore. Even though it means the other human warriors can kill me without any repercussions, I can do the same..."

Tian Chen had been marked for death within Luo Feng's mind.

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Many thoughts floated within his mind as he was brought around by the mysterious energy, flying through the warped pathways.

Rumble!

The mysterious energy dispersed.

Luo Feng flew out of the pathway and landed on the ground. He turned around like a feather and gently stood up.

"This is..." He looked around.

This was a vast mysterious shrine. There were a total of nine, over 10,000 km tall pillars that held it up. In the air above, there were many sealed stars. These countless sealed stars looked almost like a galaxy above the entire shrine.

This shrine seemed to float in the center amongst countless sealed stars.

"That is?" He looked over.

In the distance sat a silhouette. He had a long snake like body, and the top half was human. His purple beard drooped down and his eyelids gently hung down too. However, the vast pressure he gave off made anyone about naturally submit.

His energy was vast and endless, though not violent, it didn't allow any resistance.

"Child." The ancient voice resounded from him, "Come here."

"It's him, he was the one who brought me here." Luo Feng thought. "And what terrifying pressure. This is much stronger than Shi Huo knight, and even close to the primal chaos city leaders. Is he a universe master level being?"

Luo Feng at least understood this one point.

When he stood before this being, he was like an ant with no power whatsoever.

Since that was so, it was better to just obey.

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Within the shrine that stood amidst the countless sealed stars, two people stood. One was a snake bodied human while the other was Luo Feng.

Luo Feng walked over to him.

"This great being seems like a human." He thought. "But the four pinnacle races have yet to control the star tower. How can this being actually stay in here and call me over?" This beast snake man seemed like one of the many races.

Like the apeman, wolfman, snakeman etc, they were all considered part of humanity.

"Elder." Luo Feng bowed respectfully.

"Sit!"

The powerful ancient being pointed to the ground.

"Yes." Luo Feng immediately sat beside.

"Are you filled with suspicion?" The great being looked down at him, he smiled. "Wondering why the tower calls out to you and yet you cannot become its master. Wondering why you met such a powerful forbidden guard the moment you came, and even wondering about the falling of the sealed star?"

Luo Feng was shocked.

This being even knew about the star tower calling out to him?

"Yes, I'm filled with questions, please enlighten me." Luo Feng replied respectfully.

"I've been waiting for you for far too long." The being sighed. "Of course, I normally only leave a clone here, only rushing here personally when I knew you were here. Ah...I've yet to introduce myself. I'm called Pu Ti, I'm the guardian of the Star tower, and also the one to welcome you here."

Luo Feng was stunned, "You are not the creator of the tower? I..."

"You are wondering about who left you the manual? You are wondering on who was the one who created the star tower?" Pu Ti gazed down at him smiling. "Haha, I am the first servant of the creator of the star tower. However, over countless years, I've become a universe master...my master was graceful enough to accept me as his disciple."

"I am his first disciple."

"The leader of the Yan Shen race is his second disciple."

"He has many underlings, but only two disciples. I was lucky, because I've followed him the longest. Because of my strength and how sentimental he is, hence I had the right to become his disciple. But the Yan Shen Race and the Earthling race, those are the true core of what teacher poured his soul into." Pu Ti looked at Luo Feng. "There were two other candidates from earth before that failed, you are the third one. Coming here 8.2 billion years after the second one. If you succeed, you will be like the leader of the Yan Shen race, you'll become the leader of the earthling race, the third disciple of teacher! If you fail, you'll end up like the two before you. Only death will await you!"

Luo Feng was stunned.

There were two candidates before him? He was the third that came 8.2 billion years later?

Leader of the Yan Shen race? Leader of the Earthling race?

"The leader of the Yan shen race and this Pu Ti...just who was their teacher?"

"The creator of the nameless manual and star tower, specially producing the Yan Shen race and Earthling race? Is this the Huge Axe dojo founder's almighty tribe warrior?" Many thoughts flashed through his mind.

Chapter 877: Cause

"The Yan Shen Race and the Earthling race? And I'm the third candidate?" Luo Feng looked at him.

Pu Ti smiled, "Earth is simply the name you give to your living planet. During the timeframe of the previous two candidates, they called it different things. The first candidate called it the Shan Hai world, the second one called it the Origin Star, and during your era now, you all call it earth."

Luo Feng nodded.

"As to the two races..."

"Back then, I followed my teacher and explored the vast universe."

"He spent countless amounts of effort and chose this particular planet and began to nurture it, producing a powerful race! This race later became the Yan Shen race." Pu Ti smiled. "Unlike the servants and others that he chose, this race was one that he specially nurtured. Under his strict selection, the strongest being of that race became his second disciple."

"This junior of mine submitted to no one."

"He brought his own race and formed his own Yan Shen area, becoming one of the powerful races of the universe." Pu Ti smiled. "Even though in total, the power of the Yan Shen race was far from humanity itself, they have my junior and he is a universe master with special treasures from master. He didn't fear the pinnacle beings of humanity and hence became one of the powers of the universe."

Luo Feng's heart skipped a beat, saying, "Then what about you, elder Pu Ti?"

The Yan Shen race was originally a part of humanity.

Pu Ti seemed like he was human too.

"Hahaha..." He sat crossed legged there, his beard drooping down as he laughed loudly, shaking the entire shrine. He looked down at Luo Feng and smiled, "Have you heard the name Ti Pu?"

"Ti Pu?" Luo Feng's eyes gleamed, recalling the name on the 10,000 soul control manual.

That manual was written by Ti Pu.

"Pu Ti, Ti Pu, is it?" Luo Feng looked shock at this powerful being that followed an even more powerful being.

"I don't have such ambition, and I'm not like my junior with my own special race, who is able to bring that race around and take over territories, becoming a superpower." He sighed. "What's more, teacher valued both the earth and Yan Shen race highly. He had prepared special treasures for both...my junior has more such treasures and is stronger than me."

"I've been alone all this while, naturally I stayed within humanity."

"But I do not wish to reveal my strength, since that may implicate my teacher. Hence, I've remained low profile and allowing my clone to stay for long periods here, allowing it to demonstrate only knight pinnacle level strength, naming myself Ti Pu." He said.

Luo Feng sighed.

That great being had two disciples.

One of them ruled the Yan Shen race, becoming a superpower.

The other simply left a clone here and revealed strength on the level of Tian Shi palace leader and Xi Luo Duo.

"Even though teacher created the Yan Shen race, he wasn't too satisfied with it." Pu Ti continued softly. "Teacher had lamented...that he had raised the basic level of talent, but the soul evolution was much harder. Hence he spent even more time and effort to find a way to finally create your earthling race."

"A pure soul from birth."

"Teacher even spent time to specially create a heavenly technique, the Nine volume manual to help your bodies keep evolving, until it reached the level of several rare races in the universe."

"With a soul that was naturally exceptional along with the Nine volume manual, this was the best combination he came up with." Pu Ti's eyes gleamed.

Luo Feng held his breath.

That great being was simply too heavenly. To create an exceptional race of humans, he had actually spent so much effort to prepare and created such an unbelievable technique.

"However, this manual was rejected by the universe laws themselves." Pu Ti shook his head. "Even though it was created, the moment teacher passed it on to any earthling, the universe laws would automatically try and wipe away memories of the manual. Teacher's power was strong, hence the laws couldn't affect him, but it affected anyone he tried to train."

Luo Feng was shocked.

Memory wipe?

But he was able to learn this heavenly technique.

"Later on, teacher left alone, not knowing where to go. Finally he brought back some special treasures, named the Heavenly soul crystals, placing the entire manual within." Pu Ti said. "They have unbelievable power, and as long as one was human and from earth, if they are able to pass the illusions within, they could acquire the techniques from the crystals."

"Why wouldn't the laws wipe the memories after?" Luo Feng asked.

Without a doubt, these crystals were the black metal boards.

"That's the wonder of the Heavenly soul crystals." Pu Ti said. "Teacher had said before that the universe laws were very fair, without any absolutes, there was always a chance. Using the crystals made it possible for the Nine volume manuals to be passed on. The natural power of the crystals could pass on the technique to you, and not be affected by the universe laws...but they only have one shot at it."

"Only one shot?" Luo Feng was stunned.

"Yes."

Pu Ti nodded, "The crystals record within them the nine volumes. However, its power only allows for it to be passed on once. As long as the warrior who received the technique is alive...it would be unable to pass it on to another. Unless the first one dies!"

"Hence, the earthling race, including you, has had three candidates."

"The first one fell and because of its power, only then could the crystal pass it on to the second one."

"The second one fell and thus you became the third."

"The manual, even with the heavenly soul crystals, would never have two candidates living simultaneously."

Luo Feng was completely speechless. The laws of the vast universe were incredibly harsh. The more special and rare something was, like the power of the Nine volume manual, the harder it was to even create it. It even required a special vessel and there could only be one who trained in it!

"Teacher valued the Yan Shen race, but he valued the earthling race even more."

"The leader of the Yan Shen race is my junior."

"The leader of the earthling race will become the third disciple." Pu Ti said. "And teacher has...prepared treasure for both his disciples!"

Luo Feng frowned, asking, "Elder Pu Ti, your teacher, that great being...why did he even create both the Yan Shen and the earthling race?"

"At teacher's level, he's already invincible within the universe." Pu Ti's voice sounded old and tired. He said, "You don't need to think too much. As one of the strongest in the universe, he had long been invited to many powers and organizations to be their leader, but he was too lazy to bother."

"As a leader?" Luo Feng asked.

"The strongest powers of the universe, the Human alliance (Hong alliance), the Space beast alliance, the Bug race alliance...and many others, they are the pinnacle strengths of the universe. There are others like the Nine domain alliance and other weaker ones, I'll simply tell you about this one."

"The Nine domain alliance is formed by 100,000 races, of which there are some powerful ones within. In terms of numbers, they far exceed the human and bug alliance."

"They have over 50 million emperors, over 100,000 knights and over 10 universe masters! In terms of strength, they are not weaker than any other." Pu Ti said. "Hence they invited teacher over to be their alliance head, do you know why?"

Luo Feng was still shocked over the power of this alliance.

The Hong alliance only had just over 3 million emperors, tens of thousands of knights, and as for universe masters...he wasn't clear.

"The universe masters are considered pinnacle beings in the vast universe, why get teacher to be their head? Why are 100,000 races all willing to submit to him? Even the strongest of warriors, would find it extremely hard to kill a universe master, there's no need to submit at all, why do so?" Pu Ti smiled, "It's because...teacher is able to revive any being Universe master and lower."

Luo Feng took a deep breath.

The primal chaos city leader had said before...that he could easily withstand the backlash from reviving an emperor. He would be heavily injured from reviving a knight! If he tried to revive the Tian Shi palace leader or Xi Luo Duo level of warrior, he would fall.

And from what he knew, the city leader was already extremely strong amongst the universe masters, and was one of the top three beings of humanity.

"You should know that some powerful knights have strength akin to universe masters." Pu Ti said. "To be able to revive them meant that they could risk it all and continuously fight for their race! Even if they fell, they could be revived over and over! This would naturally make the alliance incredibly powerful."

"The most pinnacle strength in the universe."

"The six pinnacle races, they all have their own strongest warriors who is able to do so. Your human race has the Huge axe founder!" Pu Ti said. "And outside the six pinnacle races, there are some special life forms like teacher, the only one in the entire universe with no other similar life forms."

"Outside the six pinnacle races, these special life forms, along with the powerful beings from the trillions of races...created beings like the huge axe founder."

"Teacher is one of such."

"Any such warrior leading an alliance would make the alliance truly strong. They needn't even go out and battle, just using their revival abilities, would make the enemies fear them. What's more, they had many other special abilities." Pu Ti looked at Luo Feng. "Once one reaches teacher's level, conquering the universe has no meaning. If he wanted to, he could easily join any alliance as a leader! However to him, that's meaningless."

"He prefers to work alone."

"Carefree, the six pinnacle races had long spent huge amounts of wealth and effort to invite him. But, he didn't even bother and never participated in the wars."

"However, he had other special goals."

"The Yan Shen and earthling race were the fruits of his labor."

"Of course, if you succeed, you will become the third disciple! Then your future will be boundless, becoming a universe master and dominating the earthling race wouldn't be impossible. You could choose to stay within humanity and become one of its upper echelons, or even be like your second senior, breaking away and taking your own territory, becoming your own power. Everything will be your own choice."

"Of course, the prerequisite is that you do not fall like the two before you. If you do, then I'd have to wait for the fourth candidate. Only, that would be another countless years from now."

Chapter 878: Life Or Death Inheritance

Within the shrine.

Pu Ti looked down on Luo Feng, "Child, you are the most exceptional one from Earth. You've already passed many hidden tests before, there's only one last life or death path you have ahead. If you live, you become the true leader of the earthlings! You'll have the chance to become a super power in the universe, even having the possibility of reaching teacher's level."

"Reaching teacher's level?" Luo Feng was shocked.

That great being...was one of the greatest in the vast universe, and only the founder of the Huge Axe dojo in the Hong alliance could match him.

"This was what he said personally." Pu Ti emphasized. "Of course, it's just a possibility. Anything related to laws or training, techniques and so on, all relies on yourself. Just like my junior, the leader of the Yan Shen race, even after training for trillions of years, he's still weaker than teacher."

Luo Feng nodded.

Actually, the leader of the Yan Shen race, who is a power in the universe alone, and is able to make humanity not dare challenge him, was already very powerful.

"The final life or death path, what is it?" Luo Feng asked.

"Star tower!" Pu Ti said softly, "The final challenge is...make star tower recognize you as its owner!"

"Star tower to recognize me as the owner?" Luo Feng's body shook.

The process of making this treasure recognize an owner was a life or death battle?

"Teacher is extremely proficient in creating treasures. All the strongest beings in the universe are good at different things. While teacher may not compare to the Huge axe founder at certain things, in terms of creating treasures, he's definitely the best." Pu Ti exclaimed. "The vast universe has many hidden treasures, and even the strongest dare not say they've seen and know everything. This star tower...was something he created by chance within a special secret region back then. When it was close to completion, it interacted with a special gold light. Hence, it created this current star tower, making it different from the initial idea he had envisioned."

"Teacher has his own treasures and has no need for it."

"But he realized that it was too hard to let it search for its owner and recognize an owner." Pu Ti said. "The star tower is considered as one of the strongest treasures in the universe, and is even compared to teacher's treasures. The process for recognizing an owner however is extremely harsh."

"Harsh?" Luo Feng frowned.

Pu Ti looked down at Luo Feng, "Yes! The stronger the soul of the candidate, the more terrifying the process would be. A long time ago, teacher had searched among tens of thousands of warriors, from sector lord to undying, to knights etc to try. But, all of the warriors that tried had failed and died."

This great being was vicious indeed, Luo Feng thought. Casually getting a bunch of warriors to experiment, even knights were like lab rats to him.

"Through trial and error, teacher deduced..."

"That there was still a chance for sector lords and undyings. But, knights and above have no chance at all."

"The process tests one's soul and willpower!"

"Hence teacher nurtured the earthling race to have swift growths in mental states." Pu Ti said, "You are now at sector lord, and you have a chance of success. In history, among the two candidates before, one was sector lord and another was undying, and both of them had reached high levels in mental states. However, both of them still failed."

"I'm sector lord?" Luo Feng looked at him, this Pu Ti's vision had seen through everything.

"I can easily see through your soul."

"The treasure you rely on to camouflage your life energy may fool knights, but you cannot fool a universe master." Pu Ti smiled. Luo Feng realized, back then the primal chaos city leader had easily seen through him too, knowing he had other bodies and so on. And this Pu Ti was only slightly weaker than the city leader.

But he was still a universe master being.

"I know about your other bodies too."

"However the moment the process begins, you'll have no way out. Even if your primal chaos city leader teacher appeared, he couldn't save you." Pu Ti emphasized. "Even though he's very powerful, and is even considered invincible within the primal universe, however in the actual universe and in star tower itself, he cannot do a thing."

"The moment the process starts, no one can stop it."

"The moment you fail."

"Your willpower and soul will completely crumble, and you'll die." Pu Ti emphasized. "Even though your teacher can reverse time and space to revive you, he cannot revive any memory of the Nine volume manual. You cannot be revived along with that manual, it is something the universe doesn't allow."

"The moment you die."

"Even if you are revived, the Nine volume manual will be gone and the evolution you got from it will be gone. Even if you get the general and king armor again, you'll have no way to use them. In all, you'll lose the right to become the leader of the earth race, and any ability to ever get it."

Luo Feng took a deep breath. If he lost all this, his strength would fall greatly.

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Rumble...countless sealed stars suddenly shook about the shrine.

"It's begun."

Pu Ti turned to the center of the shrine, "The process is about to begin."

"Star tower is a treasure the leader of the earth race deserves."

Xiu!

Light descended from above the shrine and gathered in the center. Countless lights were shining on one spot, forming a translucent crystal, and it glowed with gold threads within.

"Luo Feng." Pu Ti turned over. "The first candidate persevered for 2,600 years before falling. The second one went on to 3,300 years. I hope you can survive."

"Hm." Luo Feng turned to look at the crystal.

A chance to change his fate!

This entire process was a chance to change his fate.

If he failed, even if the primal chaos city leader revived him, he would lose everything in regards to the Nine volume manual. He would only be a genius without his special encounters. He would be much weaker than before and the city leader's respect for him would definitely fall. It would be lucky if he could become a knight, and a knight...in the great beings eyes, were nothing but little ants.

If he succeeded...

Becoming the leader of the earth race would give him the chance to become a superpower in the vast universe. He would even have the chance to become someone as strong as the great being himself!

"Success!"

"I have to succeed." Luo Feng roared.

"Master master." Heavy Arrow communicated mentally to him." I just fled from the space, even though I warned Qu Wu about Tian Chen, he was surrounded and ultimately killed by the demon camp! Master, where are you? I can feel your location but I cannot enter."

"Qu Wu fell?" Luo Feng couldn't help but shout out. "Tian Chen! I have to kill you!"

"Heavy Arrow, leave star tower first, and even the outer region wars. Wait patiently until I contact you via the virtual universe." Luo Feng ordered. He had given him an anonymous virtual universe network device much earlier.

"Yes master."

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"Luo Feng, you must be sturdy, since the process is incredibly painful and long. The two candidates have proven in the past that 3,300 years still isn't enough." Pu Ti looked at him.

"Hm." Luo Feng nodded.

Kill Tian Chen?

He first had to pass this trial. If he failed and died, his own underlings will die along with him. Even if he was revived...without the general and king armor, it would be hard to even deal with Tian Chen.

"I must survive this." Luo Feng thought.

"Then begin!"

Pu Ti emphasized and gently pointed at Luo Feng. Immediately, a seemingly normal crystal without any special energy or pressure flew at him. As it touched Luo Feng, he didn't even feel it enter his mind.

"Chi!"

The instant the crystal touched with his core.

His main core hidden within his world ring shook violently. Even the mosha body and Golden horned beast's souls shook...just like how if someone controlled his human body's soul, they could completely control his other bodies!

There were three parts of the soul, but the main core was the center of it. Also, his consciousness could easily switch between the three.

Even if one body was destroyed, it was fine. However the moment his soul was taken over and he became a slave, the rest of the bodies would be affected as well.

As the crystal melded with him, it affected the main core. The moment he failed, the main core would crumble.

"I don't sense anything?"

"Didn't he say that it was very painful and would last for a long time?" Luo Feng sat crossed legged, and was curious.

Rumble!

That unbelievable terrifying pain instantly attacked all three bodies and his main core. It felt like a beast was trying to crawl out of his soul.

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Pu Ti sat crossed legged within the shrine, his purple long beard swaying in the wind. Looking at the crossed legged Luo Feng shivering from the pain, he thought, "It's not so easy to become the leader of the earthling race. Let's hope that this third candidate will make it through."

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There was once in his life that Luo Feng had to immolate his soul to fight the golden horned beast, that was when he possessed it.

That was when his life took a big change!

And since then, this was the second time. Everything depended on whether he could survive this...

Within the vast energy flows.

A being over 90,000 km tall glowed with black light. He sat crossed legged on a mountain peak. This old being had sparkling translucent horns, his voice boomed, "Meng Tuo master, I've unintentionally butted in on your fight with the humans. However, those ninety one sand grains, I want them!"

"Old punk, my race finally managed to suppress that human and now you want to simply take away one of the three treasures?" A thunderous voice shook the entire energy flow about, resounding at the over 90,000 km tall being.

"If you don't hand it over, I'll help the human." The majestic old being didn't seem disturbed at all.

Suddenly, his expression changed slightly as he turned towards the vast space, almost like he could see through any distance, straight at the star tower in the seventh battlefield.

"The third candidate has begun?" The majestic being's eyes lit up with anticipation. "Let's hope that the little punk will succeed."

"Old punk, you sure are vicious! Don't let me meet you!"

In the distance, the great being raged, causing lightning to strike throughout the energies. After which, ninety one resplendent beams of light shot over towards the old being.

"Meng Tuo master, Primal chaos city leader, I'll take my leave!" The old being laughed. Sitting on the mountain peak, he instantly became a beam of light, even the mountain peak vanished from the energies about.

Chapter 879: Long Time

The pain of his soul tearing apart caused his body to shudder.

"This pain is still much weaker than anticipated."

"It should be about the level when I absorbed the 110th blood river crystal." Luo Feng was able to maintain his calm. In terms of threshold of pain, thousands of years ago when he was still weak in Blood river world, he felt that the pain caused during the absorption of the first crystal's alone was unbearable. However, as he grew, it honed his mental state more.

However, as he absorbed more blood river crystals, the pain naturally grew more and more. Back then he had crumbled countless times from the pain, and over these thousands of years, his threshold grew more and more. Currently, the golden horned beast's right claw and back had a total of 165 crystals!

"It's easy."

Even though his body shook slightly, he could still smile.

Luckily in terms of mental states, he had already reached the limit of Knowing oneself. Even though this was the lowest of the three levels, it simply represented where he was at. Like Innocence emphasized on coupling strength with gentleness and the highest level, Encompassing all included everything.

The three levels were explained as such. The first level was stupidly sticking to one's self, without any skill, simply relying on force alone and perseverance. Almost like a stone against rushing waters, being honed over and over.

The second level had skill involved. Knowing when to be soft, and when to be hard, and eventually melding the two, naturally withstanding any force against it.

The third level was above them all.

However...

The only reason why the second and third levels were higher than the first, was simply because skill was involved and there was an amplifying effect.

The same soul willpower, comprehending Innocence and perfect fusion could withstand pressure and illusions, withstanding soul attacks at least ten to hundreds of times more. If one reached the level of Encompassing all, his ability to withstand all these would rise hundreds to thousands of times more again.

However, this fusion of the crystal had nothing to do with soft or hard, encompassing nothing. It was simply melding the crystal and the soul. All one had to do was to bear the pain! And at this time, the mental states were useless...it all depended on one's perseverance and pain threshold!

This pain was from within the soul.

Not illusions or from external sources!

Ying Yang?

Encompassing all?

This pain was from within, and not from an attack, rather, true pain from the fusion of his soul with the crystal! Luo Feng had walked the limit of the first level all this while, constantly honing his self and forcefully bearing with pain. His mental state had long been honed to that of a diamond.

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The star tower's crystal gradually melded with his soul in an extremely slow manner. As the level of fusion grew gradually, the pain naturally followed suit!

1 year, 2 years, 3 years...10 years, 20, 30...

In the blink of an eye, 60 years had passed.

While bearing with the pain, he continued to study the Beast god statue and laws. Even connecting to the virtual universe and meeting with his family.

On the 61st year, the pain level had already doubled compared to before.

Luo Feng who was optimistic initially began to worry. "The speed of this pain growing is faster than expected. I could easily bear with it initially, but it's grown so much in 60 years. If it keeps up this way...I don't have any confidence in bearing with this for over 3,000 years."

"What do I do?"

"Fall?"

"No." He opened his eyes, looking at Pu Ti sitting crossed legged beside him.

"I have to survive, I have to succeed and become the earthling races leader." Luo Feng thought. While bearing with the intense pain, he swiftly made his plan.

"Hone my soul!"

"From birth till now, I've only lived for a few thousands years. In terms of mental state training, this process will go on for at least 3,300 years. During these 3,300 years, my mental state may rise even more! However the level of growth is still not enough...I have to search for the quickest way!"

Luo Feng pondered, his mind coming up with many mental state training methods.

Actually, bearing with the intense pain alone was a form of training, it would make one more resolute.

"Not enough, just using the pain to hone my self is not enough."

"I need a quicker way."

From birth till today.

The first 200 years, his mental state training had been going pretty well. The later thousands of years...even though it had risen quite a lot over time, in terms of speed, it was much slower than before.

"The heart, is true, pure and honest! Only then can a miracle occur!" Luo Feng believed in one of the experiences shared by one of china's ancestors before.

True. In nature and in virtue.

Pure. No distractions.

Honest, having an honest heart.

This was the path to unleashing one's soul.

The theory may seem simple, just like if how a researcher focused solely on research, without any distractions within, he could fully immerse himself within and his soul would provide sufficient energy to grow. The results and efficiency would improve by tens to hundreds of times.

"These 60 years, I've been bearing with the pain. Yet, I've been affected by it and unable to steady myself." Luo Feng thought.

"From now on."

"I'll begin to study the Beast god path, and purely focus on it. No matter how painful it gets, I will not let it affect me. My heart will be pure and solely focused on study." Luo Feng thought.

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Being vigilant in peace time, and planning ahead. Luo Feng could feel the impending danger ahead. Under this formless pressure and intense pain, he began to immerse himself in the study of the Beast god path.

Being true and pure may sound easy, doing it however was extremely hard!

Without the intense pain, Luo Feng was easily able to carry on. However it was hard not to be affected by it. Even with his strong willpower, he would often get distracted and thrown off by the pain.

And the descending formless pressure would distract him too.

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However gradually, he forgot all about it. Tossing the pain aside, no matter how intense it got, he focused on the Beast god path...

Only in solitude, would one's soul unleash its strength!

And a pure and honest heart, especially one that is able to remain this way despite the pain, would produce endless energy, allowing him to persevere...

Virtual universe, in the highest peaks of thunder island, within a shrine covered in vast energy.

The primal chaos city leader had been worrying about his own matters for the past hundreds of years, he had finally gotten to relax a little. He summoned Luo Feng, wanting to test him, also find out about his situation.

"He actually closed off his virtual universe connection? And he even left an automated reply for me, saying he's training?" He sat in the throne and laughed.

Ever since he began accepting the inheritance, Luo Feng had entrusted several tasks to his family but he didn't dare disturb the city leader, not even sending a mail. Rather, he prepared an automated reply, the moment the city leader sent a request or mail over, it would reply him immediately.

"Outer region wars army system."

"When and where was the last time my disciple Luo Feng connected to the virtual universe?" The city leader sat in his throne and said to the space ahead.

"Primal chaos city leader."

Almost like metal clanging, "Luo Feng's last connection to the virtual universe was in star tower."

"Star tower?" The city leader nodded.

Hundreds of years ago, the sealed star had fallen. Over 100,000 emperors went for it with about 8,000 of them falling. It was extremely hard for an emperor to fall, since so many fell at that one time, the news spread far and wide, shaking the entire universe. As for the sealed star, it was said that it landed in one of the distant universe races' Qi Hou Race emperors.

"Luo Feng, when you enter the virtual universe, come see me immediately." The city leader sent out an order to Luo Feng. He didn't know that his disciple was currently facing a terrifying trial."

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With his soul under intense pain, Luo Feng had been immersed in studying the Beast god path. During this time, his consciousness and willpower unknowingly began to grow at a rapid rate...the effect was incredibly beneficial. Even though his mind was growing, as time passed, the pain grew more and more intense too.

The level of pain outgrew his soul's growth!

100 years, 200, 300...800, 900 years...

In the blink of an eye, 1,000 years had passed.

Luo Feng initially had a huge advantage against the pain. However, even his 1,000 years of training couldn't keep up with the pain growth, it reached closer to his limit. If this kept up, Luo Feng was afraid he would barely make it past 2,000 years.

When that happened, the moment it exceeded his limit, his consciousness and willpower would crumble, and the crystal would make his soul crumble...

He would fall!

Of course there were unexpected benefits from this 1,000 year of training. His over 1,000 years of honing and immersion into the Beast god path resulted in certain gains. Just his Beast god presence alone had reached the 19th level of the heavenly bridge. It was a pity that his law comprehension had no help towards this life or death inheritance.

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Even though he faced danger, his soul was still completely immersed. With a pure and true soul, he didn't even sense the danger.

If he didn't do so, his soul wouldn't have grown so fast over these years.

1,600 years, 1,700, 1,800, 1,900...

The pain of the soul grew more and more terrifying, it far exceeded that of absorbing the 165th crystal, and was very close to his limit. However, he still kept himself immersed in the Beast god path. Unless the pain reached a level where it could actually affect his state, he didn't even sense the danger.

Heart pure and true, with no other distractions.

Chapter 880: Hope and Despair

2,000 years, 2,100, 2,200...

The fusion level of the crystal and his soul got higher and higher. It made the intense pain grow even more. This wasn't just any ordinary pain, but a tearing of the soul. At the final threshold, the soul would be completely torn apart! However as it got closer to the limit, Luo Feng focused his mind, it helped hone his mental state even more and he improved faster.

2,300 years, 2,400, 2,500, 2,600...

"It's been 2,600 years."

Within the shrine amidst the sealed stars, Luo Feng sat crossed legged there covered in perspiration and blood. Under such pain, blood drops would drip out as his entire body shivered. However, there was a strong sense of sturdiness from his expression, and he wasn't shaken by such pain.

"The two candidates from the past, the first one lasted 2,600 years, and the other for 3,300 years."

"Both were absolute geniuses of their time, and were incredibly exceptional elites and beings of the earth race. In terms of encounters, the first one was the strongest, and he was at the level of Innocence, yet he only lasted 2,600 years. The second one however was slightly weaker, even weaker than Luo Feng. However, his mental state reached the level of Encompassing all. At the end, he too fell."

"There have been many with strong mental states in the history of earth. There are countless in the first level, many in the second and quite a few in the third."

Pu Ti sighed within.

His teacher, the great being that nurtured the earth race had said before...

The three states weren't higher or lower than each other, they simply represented three different paths.

Knowing oneself and staying true to it, knowing one's strength and absolute confidence! No matter what happens, one would always believe in oneself and not be shaken. However the growth of this path was the hardest, with no external factors, relying solely on willpower.

Put crudely, it simply meant being extremely obstinate. Such a person would suffer easily.

However such a warrior wouldn't follow the crowds, he would be sturdy from within. Even when many others criticize and scold him, he wouldn't change. This was the most tiring paths of all...

Innocence, Man and nature as one.

Such a person could gain the respect of many others, it was hard to hold grudges against such a person, as they saw through the souls of trillions of lives. In history, many of them were considered saints.

Encompassing all, one believed in the vastness of the universe, and that they were unable to exceed everything. They weren't satisfied with just going with the flow, they wanted to encompass everything.

Such warriors had huge hearts.

With endless ambition, and one's belief was terrifying too.

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Three paths.

The reason why the earth people regarded each level as higher than the other was because they hadn't produced a true great being.

There were many in history that had reached the peak of Knowing oneself, and after encountering countless setbacks, there were huge changes in history itself. They had seen through themselves and realized eventually that getting along was the path, and completely enforcing their way was too extreme.

Hence there was Man and nature as one, the so called perfect level.

Then, they no longer suffered, no longer butted heads, rather they were worshipped by many.

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After walking that second path for a long time, they would have deeper visions.

They weren't satisfied with just man and nature as one, they wanted to encompass it all, this was the third level.

In the history of earth, anyone who reached the third level, built countries or sects. All in all they were all the pinnacle beings of earth. This heart that encompass all allowed them to take any setbacks and improve through any situation.

While their qualifications may not match others, however with resolve and steady improvement, it allowed them to reach the top!

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Three paths, different levels.

The third was the strongest, the second one followed and the first one was the hardest.

Hence it became known this way through the many generations of earth...and ignorance was as such. Any great being...or absolute warrior would however mock this, as they knew that the path was simply different. What was the point of comparing these?

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"To persevere for over 2,600 years, his heart is indeed sturdy." Pu Ti said, "Against such tearing pain, he must have a completely sturdy heart and willpower to push through. Only then could he last long...it'll just depend on how strong his heart is."

There were many courageous warriors in chinese history that crumbled under torture.

Despite their loyalty, it could only be said that their pain threshold hadn't been honed. That their methods to train weren't strong enough. As for such pain that permeated the soul, that lasted for thousands of years...who could take it? As for the normal heroes from the past, just a few thousand years of solitude would make them go crazy, much less what Luo Feng was going through now...

While he was bearing with the torture, he forced himself to not be affected by anything, immersing himself in studying the Beast god path.

In the 2,800th year...

The high level of pain finally reached his true limit, affecting his study.

"Don't disturb me."

"Howl!"

Within his internal world, the golden horned beast looked down at the statue and copied it.

Just like some scientist from earth, even in sickness and pain, they continue to research. Even though they were affected and distracted, they would continue their work. Luo Feng who had been immersed within for over 2,000 years had already gotten so deep in that even though he was affected, he would simply push it aside!

Pain? Force it away, continue his study!

Distraction? Push it aside!

A pure heart, against the danger, it created a mysterious energy and strength, allowing him to push aside the pain. And everytime he did so, it allowed his heart to stabilize. It would gradually strengthen him...and this speed of growth was faster than before.

Just like that...Luo Feng held on.

2,900 years, 3,000, 3,100 years, 3,200...

His ability to push aside the pain grew better as time passed. The strength his soul had for pushing aside this eternally rising pain, this pain that he could never quell, only continue to meld with it. However, the pain continued to grow. Almost like after stabilizing himself from the distractions for so long, one would still eventually get tired and unable to move. No matter how strong his beliefs were, one would reach a limit, and the result was...to die!

"Is this the end?" Pu Ti sat crossed legged there and looked at the shivering Luo Feng covered in sweat and blood. His body twitched in pain, sometimes madly, sometimes a little...

His entire body was shivering madly.

"He's tired."

"Child, just give up."

"Even if you fall, and your teacher doesn't revive you, just because of your strong will, I will reverse time and space to revive you. While you may lose much, however...the process for the star tower to recognize an owner is simply too hard. Back then when the tower melded with that colorful light, even teacher didn't have a guarantee, maybe...then even if the earth race produced incredibly exceptional beings, it still wouldn't work. If the first three all failed, even the fourth, fifth and so on might keep failing. Who knows when teacher will change his mind and not force this star tower to recognize an owner."

Pu Ti sighed,

He was a universe master, a pinnacle being of the vast universe. He could easily see through Luo Feng's soul, and he knew that Luo Feng was already at his limit.

"Don't disturb me!"

"Don't bother me!!!" Luo Feng was still completely immersed in studying the Beast god path. Against the powerful pain that constantly interrupted him, he howled within and raged, "Don't disturb me, no one can disturb me, no one will!"

Rumble!

A sudden change!

If his willpower and consciousness before was said to be honed into a diamond, incredibly sturdy and piercing, over the 3,200 years of training, it reached another level and it became an even denser diamond than before. Just like it was placed in a location with extreme pressure, like a star becoming a neutron star.

Consciousness and willpower, it had an unbelievable evolution!

The diamond was forced into an atomic nucleus.

"Continue." Luo Feng had a feeling like he never had before. Almost like when he reached his final limit of fatigue, passing it now gave him even more strength than before! The pain had disrupted his study before, knocking him hard until he reached his limit. Now however, it was completely suppressed and gave no resistance whatsoever.

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"What!"

In the shrine, Pu Ti who had been observing the entire process glanced at Luo Feng's soul and naturally discovered the evolution.

"How did it change?"

"How did this happen, this never happened to the two of them before him. Especially the second, he lasted for 3,300 years before falling and nothing like this ever happened." Pu Ti was shocked. "Right, the two candidates, one was at Innocence and the other at Encompassing all. They had different ways of dealing with the pain. Innocence would make him get used to the pain and meld with it. Encompassing all...would encompass even the pain. However the two of them were both wrong. Wrong in the sense that this isn't a pain from anything, but rather the crystal melding with the soul. This isn't an illusion, but something real!"

"While their methods could push their souls to the limit to not feel the pain."

"However without withstanding it, they cannot suppress it. Their strength to suppress it naturally won't be enough. Because they melded with it, they encompassed it."

"And Luo Feng chose to withstand it! Completely withstand and suppressing the pain, not ever melding or encompassing it."

"While he may feel more pain."

"But isn't this a way to train the first level of Knowing oneself? Pushing his willpower to the limit finally resulted in evolution, resulting in a huge jump." Pu Ti gasped.

A huge leap forward gave Luo Feng a huge leeway.

3,300 years...3,900...

4,000...

4,300...4.900...

The crystal continued to meld with him, and the pain gradually rose. Even though the evolution before gave Luo Feng a huge leeway, over the past 2,000 years, it finally got close to his limit again.

"Is there no way for this star tower to recognize an owner?"

"The past 3,200 years was only the first half?" Pu Ti was shocked as well, because the longest a candidate lasted before was only 3,300 years. No one truly knew how long this process would take.

No one had done it.

No one knew the limit...whether it was Pu Ti or that great being before.

"If Luo Feng fails, how many more candidates would it take to actually succeed?" His face was filled with worry.