Liu Xi, the alchemist hired by the Jia Lie clan,

caused the Xiao family to fall into a crisis concerning their very existence.

For the safety of his clan and Xun’er,

Xiao Yan, with Yao Lao’s help, secretively eliminated Liu Xi.

After witnessing the power of a Heavenly Flame,

Xiao Yan developed an inner longing;

and Yao Lao took the opportunity to say

that within Jia Nan Academy, which was soon coming to Black Rock City to recruit students,

there are murmurings of the Fallen Heart Flame, ranked 14th on the Heavenly Flame Ranking.

Xiao Yan, who had privately made plans within his heart,

while preparing to leave,

ended up encountering the deliberately waiting

Xun’er.

Just who are you?

Why were you hiding in the room?

I was entrusted by someone

to help resolve some trouble.

Entrusted by whom?

This, I cannot say.

But I want to know.

Little girl,

I know that you are very strong right now.

But if you want to stop me,

you are still a bit lacking.

Ai. // Aye.

Fine, fine.

You’ve made me fear you.

Today an undiscerning thing molested a girl greatly valued by a certain fellow.

And that fellow happens to know me.

So,

I was called by him to do hard labor.

Ai.

Not to mention, how can it be easy for me, this geezer, at such an old age.

It turns out Old sir and Brother Xiao Yan do have a relationship.

This attitude changed so quickly.

Brother Xiao Yan being able to cast away his past despondency

presumably has something to do with you.

Xun’er would firstly like to express thanks to Old sir.

However,

if Old sir, when interacting with Brother Xiao Yan, could please

not possess any other thoughts toward him.

Otherwise, Xun’er will not let you go.

Do believe that I have the strength to speak these words.

What a powerful girl. // dominant, assertive, tough?

I just don’t want Brother Xiao Yan to be deceived by others.

I’ll go back now.

Tonight’s affair,

please do not mention it to Brother Xiao Yan.

Rest assured,

I won’t mention a word.

Girl.

I really am doing thankless work.

Running around for an entire night aside,

I was even threatened by this little girlfriend of yours.

After your business in Wu Tan City is settled,

leave with me to train.

Here, you will only let this emotional nonsense hinder you from getting stronger.

But this sort of thing isn’t nonsense.

Besides,

it doesn’t have to conflict with getting stronger.

Then if the two do conflict,

what would you choose?

Uh-

how can there be so many ifs?

But I must thank you for tonight.

Later, I’ll also be troubling you to refine Qi Gathering Powder.

I want to break through to Fight Practitioner as soon as possible!

Father,

this is Mister Liu?

Correct.

Liu Xi was killed under my very eyes.

Could it be that someone from the Xiao family did it?

The likelihood is not high.

The Xiao family’s strongest practitioner, Xiao Zhan

is only a Six-star Fight Grandmaster.

There is no way he could have escaped my detection.

However, whether it’s true or not,

we can still blame it on the Xiao family.

Father,

when Xiao Yan and I fought yesterday,

it seemed like

he’s already recovered his Dou Qi.

He even defeated Liu Xi.

Such a thing happened?

That’s right, Father.

Hmph.

Go.

Tell Ao Ba Pa.

The opportunity to exterminate the Xiao family has arrived.

After taking the Qi Gathering Powder, you must immediately condense your Dou Qi,

all the way until the inner shape of your Qi center becomes a Dou Qi vortex.

You must not slacken midway.

Otherwise, this advancement will fail.

This is your second time advancing to Fight Practitioner.

If you fail this time,

it will be difficult if you try advancing again in the future.

However, you need not be too worried.

Although, over these three years, your Dou Qi never grew,

your foundation has become unusually solid.

Advancing won’t be a difficult task.

Then I’ll start.

Jia Lie Bi!

What are you trying to do?

Your Xiao family sure has clever methods,

allowing Xiao Yan, this trash, to reach Ninth Stage in such a short time,

and letting him attack our alchemist at the marketplace,

causing Mister Liu to die a sudden death in the middle of the night.

Therefore,

your Xiao family must pay this debt with blood!

Go!

Spare no one!

Go!

Two Elders,

withdraw first with the juniors!

Lion Splitting Mountain!

Go!

Leave Xiao Zhan to me.

You go take care of the others.

Remember,

don’t let off Xiao Yan, this stinky brat.

Yes.

Quick!

Agglomerate the Dou Qi vortex.

Use Spiritual Strength to compress it.

Your progress isn’t bad.

Soon,

you’ll be able to successfully advance to Fight Practitioner.

Condense!

Careful.

I was wondering why I couldn’t find you anywhere.

Turns out you were hiding here trying to advance to Fight Practitioner.

Jia Lie Ao!

Ugh,

it’s a pity.

You won’t ever have an opportunity again.

You guys,

attack!

Have him accompany his short-lived father

on the way to hell together.

What happened to my father?

Your father is currently in a showdown with my father.

With my father’s peak Fight Grandmaster strength,

I reckon he already...

Halt.

Where are you going?

Right,

quickly lend me strength.

I need to go save my father.

Now is a critical moment for you.

If you squander this opportunity, advancing to Fight Practitioner will become difficult.

Even if advancing succeeds, what then?

By then people will be dead;

what would be the point of getting stronger?!

Xiao Yan.

Don’t let this situation muddle your brain.

If you want to face a peak Fight Grandmaster,

the only way is to have you advance to Fight Practitioner so that you can support more of my energy.

I said before,

in this world, strength reigns supreme.

Without strength, you won’t be able to protect anyone!

While the medicinal power is still in effect, quickly condense the Dou Qi vortex.

Stop being dragged down by family!

Dragged down.

Old man,

have you ever had family?

I don’t know what you’ve been through

that caused you to turn into your current appearance.

I also don’t know why you would say such a thing as

not wanting to be burdened for the sake of family.

But I know,

you are wrong.

You say this only because you haven’t experienced the taste of betrayal.

What kinship and friendship,

in the face of reality, all will ultimately be abandoned!

The you who was trash for three years,

have you still not seen through it all?

You don’t understand.

Precisely because I was trash for three years,

I’ve recognized even more clearly

just what is truly important.

I don’t understand?

Precisely because I have experienced the betrayal of a loved one,

I would speak in such a way.

Die, Xiao Zhan!

Stop!

Father.

What are you doing here?

Leave now!

Jia Lie Bi.

Immediately take your people

and leave the Xiao estate! // 家 refers to the place here, right? iffy translation

Father, save me!

I don’t want to die!

Shut up.

Wu Tan City, this tiny little place,

still has three great clans existing side by side.

Even though I have been waiting with plans to dominate,

I have suffered from lack of opportunity.

The opportunity to swallow the Xiao family is now close at hand.

Ao’er,

for the benefit of the clan,

I apologize!

Compared to Xiao Zhan,

what I care more about is you, stinky brat!

Die!

Father!

Yan’er!

Yan’er...

Father...

Kid,

let me take over.

Go accompany your son, Xiao Zhan!

Who are you?

Just who are you?!

Wu Tan City has never heard of the likes of you!

Stinky brat,

your body can’t hold up for much longer.

I will help you block him.

Try and see if you can complete the final advancement.

Thank you, Teacher.

The Qi Gathering Powder may be gone,

but I

am a genius

who was able to reach Fight Practitioner at eleven years of age!

Breakthrough in the middle of battle!?

You-

You are-

Teacher.

This punch, allow me.

Octane

Blast!

Father.

Father!

Yan’er.

Are you alright?

I’ve become the student of an amazing teacher.

He took action to help us deal with Jia Lie Bi.

This Senior, where is he?

I must properly thank him.

If you want to thank someone, you should thank your son, Xiao Yan.

This little fellow

really suits this old man’s tastes.

After this, let him go out to train with this old man.

I leave everything for Senior to arrange.

Yes,

Teacher.

Leading away Miss is the fault of this subordinate.

Ling Ying is willing to be punished.

But the Gu Clan not intervening in the Xiao family’s affairs is a clan rule.

Miss must remember to not become caught up.

You should be glad that Brother Xiao Yan is safe and sound.

Otherwise...

Teacher,

thank you for taking action.

You aren’t so impersonal after all.

Hmph.

Your luck is quite good,

actually being able to successfully agglomerate the Dou Qi vortex.

What I rely on is my strength, okay?

Stinky kid.

Right, Teacher.

Now can you tell me

why you took me in as your disciple?

You should be able to tell

that I am currently only a spiritual body.

En.

According to common sense, I should have already died.

However, due to my Spiritual Strength being much greater than ordinary people’s,

so

I have kept on living in this state.

I don’t particularly like this kind of illusory existence.

I still have matters I must personally see through.

Therefore,

I must break away from this kind of spiritual state.

You want to be resurrected?

En.

Do you still remember that Qi method I mentioned that can evolve?

En.

This Qi method is called the Flame Mantra.

Practicing it is extremely difficult.

Because every time it evolves, it requires swallowing a Heavenly Flame.

And a successfully evolved Flame Mantra

permits the use of multiple cooperating Heavenly Flames

to refine a body that can accommodate a spirit.

Then,

I would be considered to have undergone another kind of rebirth.

Such a violent, destructive thing like a Heavenly Flame,

whoever can capture even a strand would already be thanking the heavens.

Who dares guarantee that it can be swallowed?

The risk of danger is indeed incredibly high.

However, do not doubt its potential.

If you are really able to practice it successfully,

not many in the entire Dou Qi Continent, I’m afraid, can be your opponent.

On this continent, strength reigns supreme.

Only with strength, is there dignity.

At the time, Nalan Yanran was able to come to break off the marriage in a condescending manner

because her background and strength

is greater than yours.

The power behind that Xun’er sister of yours is even more terrifying than the Misty Cloud Sect.

Even if you have outstanding training talent,

they will not attach much importance to it.

Only by displaying strength that can truly cause them to feel fear

will it be possible for your wishes to be fulfilled.

Practicing this Flame Mantra,

can it allow me to obtain this kind of power?

I should say, only if you successfully practice the Flame Mantra

can it be possible.

As for deciding whether or not to practice it,

only you can make the choice yourself.

Teacher should not interfere too much.

After saying so much,

you still say you won’t interfere with my choice.

I admit that I hold some instigating intentions.

After all, from my perspective,

I very much hope that you can practice this Flame Mantra.

I persisted inside that dark, lightless ring for so many years

only in hopes that one day,

I would be able to meet someone with the requisite Spiritual Strength to practice the Flame Mantra.

I am very lucky

to have met you.

These words,

just take them as an old man’s heartfelt thoughts.

Even though I plainly said I wouldn’t interfere

I still couldn’t help but say so much.

The red scroll is a fire attribute Di class Qi method.

The black scroll is that Flame Mantra.

You decide yourself.

No matter your choice,

you are my disciple.

I won’t cast blame or anything because of this.

Although I do fear death somewhat,

what Teacher says is right:

without strength, there is no dignity.

That kind of humiliation from Nalan Yanran...

I don't particularly want to experience it a second time.

Besides,

if it really doesn’t work out,

can’t I just switch to practicing another Qi method then?

After all, you are a treasure trove.

You stinky brat.

I’ll give you one month’s time

to properly spend time with your loved ones.

Afterwards, go out to gain experience alongside Teacher.

Yes, Teacher!

“One month later”

After recovering your talent, Brother Xiao Yan is powerful, as expected.

Taking first place in the Jia Nan Academy recruitment like it was nothing;

you were even able to convince them to grant one year of absence.

The leave of absence was really out of necessity.

The Three Year Agreement is right in front of me

while Jia Nan Academy won’t allow me to defeat Nalan Yanran.

Brother Xiao Yan,

actually,

come with Xun’er.

Xun’er also has ways to let you defeat Nalan Yanran.

I have already found a path to becoming stronger.

Once things are finished,

I will come to Jia Nan Academy to find you.

Wait for me.

Yan’er.

How are your preparations?

Father.

Teacher has already been waiting for me outside the city for a long time.

I’m ready to leave now.

A good lad should go out and explore the world.

Remember to listen to your teacher.

If you have the opportunity, make a trip to Rock Desert City.

Your Big Brother, Second Brother are all developing there.

As for that Three Year Agreement...

Father.

Some things you can’t escape from.

As a man, I should bear the responsibility.

Father,

Xun’er.

Take care.

Farewell.

Teacher,

what do we do next?

Look for a Heavenly Flame,

evolve the Flame Mantra.