The Imperial Throne

Beware the Jade Emperor sitting upon his golden throne. Do not be fooled by his detachment or his disinterest.

Nothing gets past the celestial dragon. Ruler of the empire. Nothing escapes his notice or passes by unobserved.

Mock his apathy and aloof attitude all you want. But beware of his claws the moment you turn around.

The Jade Emperor is no fool. He is not a figurehead placed on high to be moved and manipulated at the whim of others.

He is the one whose wisdom surpasses that of generations. His courage burns as brightly as the lioness who stands by his side.

Wings of gold and green shadow the land. Every movement, every whisper, there is not a single one that does not reach his ears.

The lioness stands loyally by his side.

The tigers work tirelessly to fulfill his commands. Blessed with his companionship and respect.

The dragons are his soldiers protecting the land from harm.

The snow leopards spread their wisdom and act as

ambassadors to those foolish enough to think that the Jade Emperor is a mere puppet.

Any one who falls under the gaze of Yu Long will soon find that he is greatest puppet master of them all.

Behind a mask of indifference hides the greatest mind China has ever seen.

The Jade Emperor may wear garments of silk but his muscles are as strong as steel.

Fire burns deep in his throat and claws like iron stand ready to tear down anyone who would harm those he loves.

Wings like mighty sails crack like thunder with every beat.

Beware the dragon who sits on the Imperial Throne. His eyes see all. His intelligence is unparalleled.

The wisdom of others is mere child's play to him.

Do not let his attitude trick you into letting down your guard. A dragon is still a dragon. And the one you stand before now rules one of the greatest empires in the world

--Written April 26th, 2014