

## A Ghost 651

### Chapter 651 Confronting The Evil God's Fragment

As the devastating battle continued within the interior of the Boss Room, Lucifer, Partner, and Brunhild struggled to fight the endlessly regenerating Zombie Dragon made from Crystal's powerful body. Meanwhile, Emeraldine, Takeshi, and Laura slowly conjured a powerful spell that could completely decimate her and purify her, but it would need to first turn off the Zombie Dragon's endless miasmic energy and also weaken her before it could work!

And this was Maria's job, perhaps the most important one. She grew more and more nervous, as usual, as she began searching everywhere. Her eyes glowing redder as she recalled what Lucifer had told him once he evolved.

"Leave Crystal to us, you have the most important job here, find that dungeon core and the evil god's fragment so Crystal's body can finally rest in peace!"

Maria sighed while gritting her phantasmal teeth in annoyance.

"Seriously! After I finally helped him cheer up and all I was willing to fight at his side. Did he had to just send me away so soon?! Well, I love his confidence but I could have also thrown a few fists against that Boss! Sigh..." Maria grew more desperate. "Damn it, I can't find it! Should I just blast this entire area...?"

She didn't have many options right now, perhaps an incredibly strong spam of overpowered magic spells could do the trick, but Maria was doubting if that might even work, seeing how the material of dungeons is a near indestructible brick stone that cannot be easily tempered with, even less destroyed.

"Mama!"

Nyx, however, had other ideas as she was right behind her. The adorable half-ghost and half-dragon girl suddenly began to summon several small dragon-shaped phantom familiars, one after the other, very similar to Maria's phantom familiars, but way stronger and keener.

They had Dragon eyes, capable of seeing through things more easily, and also Dragon Senses combined with Supernatural Senses, enchanting their ability to sense places and special magical constructs!

"Huh? Nyx?"

Nyx suddenly pointed at a certain area.

"Hewe!"

"Oh?! You found it!"

Maria flew directly there, having been a minute since she started searching for it, it was all thanks to Nyx that she could find it.

She quickly concentrated her phantasmal senses into the area, finding a slight disturbance within the fabric of this barrier!

Without wasting a single second, Maria quickly decided to act, concentrating her powers, and then undergoing Spirit Fusion with Tyr!

**F L A A A S H!**

Nyx opened her eyes wide as she saw her mama transform, her body became even darker as she looked even more sinister in appearance. Miasmic Essence overflowed through her body as Maria's body shapeshifted, generating dozens of limbs made of her phantasmal power, countless fists fell like meteors over that designated area, alongside her devastating sword, axe, and spear skills!

"[Endless Abyssal Barrage]!"

**BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOOOOMMM!!!**

The enormous blows shook the entire dungeon, not only this area, but all surroundings, from the walls to the ceiling, even the floors outside of this floor trembled rapidly it was total chaos, but it was also

working as intended, Maria was managing to unleash an enormous attack, enough for the ground below her to shatter!

Crack... crack... crack...!

C R A A A A S S S S H H H!!!

Suddenly, in front of Maria and Nyx, an enormous hole emerged, leading a dark underground area! Maria didn't wanted to bring Nyx here, but she didn't had much of an option, quickly storing her inside of her shadows and diving down.

F L A A A S H!

"Mama! I wan... faito too!" Said Nyx, wanting to fight at the side of her mother.

"No dear, I have to prioritize your safety, stay there and leave everything to your mama!" Maria flew down desperately, quickly reaching the very last depths of the dungeon, where an orb was floating in midair, enveloped on enormous quantities of Miasma and living tentacles everywhere!

"YOUUUUU...!"

And it obviously spoke, with a voice very similar to that of Tyr's voice, of course. Before Tyr became a spirit, he wasn't any different than this fragment parasitizing the dungeon core anyways, monstrous and furious.

"He's just like me before..." Tyr sighed, whispering through Maria's mind as the two were merged together. "It is quite embarrassing to see how my mind and soul are so corrupted in this state...!"

"How dare youuu... HOW DARE YOU ENTER MY CHAMBERS!"

The Evil God Fragment roared furiously, countless Miasmic Tentacles reached Maria in an instant, most of them shaping into amorphous beasts found inside the dungeon, opening their jaws and attacking with their claws against the ghostly maiden!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLAAASH!

However, she intercepted all blows easily unleashing her powerful Fist Techniques and her weapon Skills, unleashing shockwaves of energy everywhere, which destroyed the tentacles made of miasma, leaving the Evil God Fragment utterly speechless!

"I-Impossible, how come you can...?!"

The Fragment was surprised, asking in shock.

However, Maria smiled cockily, her eyes glowing bright red as demonic horns grew from her forehead and even demon-like wings sprouted from her back. The fusion with Tyr brought her a demon-like appearance.

"The first time I fought one of you, it was very hard, I almost was defeated... But now that I've absorbed your powers once, it is not so hard..." Maria said smiling defiantly against the glowing black orb, a single red eye emerged from within it, furiously squinting at her!

"So that's your power! You've absorbed one of my fragments! Once I absorb you, that fragment shall be MINE!" The Evil God Fragment grew berserk, several more tentacles emerged, each one with red eyes on their tips, shooting chaotic beams and red lasers against Maria at once!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

However, Maria easily evaded them or intercepted them with her bare phantasmal fists, reaching closer to the Dungeon's Core and then possessing it using the [Phantasmal Grasp] and [Phantasmal Puppeteer] Skills at the same time!

FLAAASH!

## Chapter 652 Maria Versus The Evil God's Fragment

FLAAASH!

Maria emerged within the landscape of the Dungeon Core, as she found herself within a completely black space- no, it was a strange landscape, a world of darkness and purple energy. A red moon on top of the night sky, and aberrant-looking trees decorated the place everywhere. This place... resembled her own Soul Scape, in fact!

"Ah! This place... to think the Fragment has been parasitizing the Dungeon Core enough to form a complex Soul Scape inside already! What the heck was it planning to do next?" Wondered Tyr.

"Is this bad?" Wondered Maria, feeling slightly concerned.

"Yeah! This means the Fragment has been parasitizing the Dungeon Core so much it has developed the Dungeon's Core soul. It might had been trying to completely transform the Dungeon into... something else." Tyr answered.

"Something else... Like a giant monster?" Asked Maria. "Wait, that's it, isn't it?"

"Yeah, its ability to devour the mountain was already strange enough! It was slowly evolving a Dungeon and transforming it more and more into a new type of creature..." Tyr said.

"GGRRRRHHHH...!"

And from within the very Soul Scape, the Evil God Fragment finally confronted us. This one had the amorphous shape of a dragon, made of black slime, and with glowing red eyes all over its body... did it took the shape of Crystal because it is its Dungeon Core Avatar?

"You dare enter my core... Do you truly believe you'll get out of this alive?! You're sure cocky to think you can win against me because you have a small fragment with you... I have grown vastly stronger than him in this time... If I had only been given a few more years, I could had completely awakened this dungeon's truest form! Well, I'll be able to do this even sooner once I devour you two!"

The enormous Miasmic Dragon rushed towards Maria and Tyr, shaped as a gigantic snake-like dragon with enormous wings and sharp claws made of crystalized miasma, it fell directly over Maria and Tyr, unleashing a barrage of attacks and Miasmic Flames everywhere!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!!!

"Shit...!"

Maria had to step back. The power of this Fragment was indeed way vaster than she had originally believed! It held enormous charging power and even more, miasmic potency! It was overflowing with insanely high quantities of Mana to boot, and it seemed to be endlessly growing larger.

"RAAAAAGGGRRH!"

CLAAAASH!

The Miasmic Dragon roared, its enormous claws hitting the ground where Maria was seconds ago once more, shaking the ground around it. Maria quickly conjured several Dark Suns and fired them at the Miasmic Dragon, explosions of darkness and miasma reverberated the surroundings, shaking the entire place!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

However, the Miasmic Dragon easily tanked the blows, all damage it received, which was big enough to leave enormous holes all over the monstrous slimy creature, regenerated in an instant, as if it had taken no damage to begin with!

"Useless! Your attacks have no power against me!"

The Miasmic Dragon laughed, as it started chasing Maria while she continued conjuring magic, trying out what could work against it!

"[Abyssal Lightning Storm]!"

FLUOOOOSHH!

An enormous storm of Dark Winds and Black Lightning reached the Miasmic Dragon, electrifying it and slicing it into pieces through the power of electricity and slicing winds combined together!

BOOOOOMMMM!!!

"GRAAAAARRGH!"

However, it seemed not enough, the beast immediately regained its former appearance, charging against Maria once more. Its tail shaped, materializing sharp crystal-like growths with a sharp spear-like end! With it, it quickly started aiming at Maria, attempting to pierce through her soul with these powerful blows!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

Maria evaded as she could, conjuring Abyssal Barriers to defend, but many of such blows pierced through her soul directly, tearing apart her soul as small bits of it were torn apart, and quickly absorbed by the Fragment!

"Hahahaha! Your soul is sure a delicious feast!"

The Fragment laughed while attacking Maria. The ghost's eyes glowed bright red as she invoked several skills together, her axe and her sword suddenly converged, melding with her own soul and miasma, generating a larger sword at the same time as a powerful Abyssal Domain spread around her!

FLUOOOSH!

"Let's try something different then! [Abyssal Void Slash]!"

SLAAAASH!

Maria unleashed a powerful slash using this powerful new weapon she had improvised, a temporary and powerful giant sword made by merging her two weapons, her soul, and her spiritual miasma together into one!

CRAAASSHH!!!

The powerful slash of chaotic power reached the Miasmic Dragon, piercing through its body not only just once, but several times and then splattering it everywhere as it exploded!

BOOOOOOMMM!!!

"GRAAAGGRRH...!"

The Miasmic Dragon struggled momentarily, but it quickly came back like new, laughing maliciously as it grew larger and more monstrous, it even gained a new pair of heads, which quickly charged Miasmic Energy and even Divine Power within, unleashing a Triple Dragon Breath!

FLAAAAASSSSHHHH!

TRUUUUUMMM...!



The enormous beams converged into one, super massive beam which began devastating the landscapes as it chased after Maria. The ghostly enchantress quickly conjured several Chaotic Meteors, one after the other to attack and distract the Miasmic Dragon, but this only did as much!

BOOOM! BOOOM! BOOOM!

"GRAHAHAHA...! USELESS!!"

The Miasmic Dragon merely regenerated all damage dealt anyways, shocking Maria to the core. It was even able to resist and block such powerful attacks, just how strong could this vicious Fragment actually be?!

And at the same time, the Miasmic Dragon's Triple Dragon Breath reached her, exploding on the spot and generating a devastating blast!

BOOOOOOMMMM!!!

The Evil God Fragment laughed, looking at Maria's pitiful soul as it had shrank from all that damage... her power was fading away as her soul's size reduced.

"It's over... Give it up and become part of my own self!"

"Never..."

Maria gritted her teeth, readying herself for battle as she rushed forwards, her beautiful maiden shape quickly changing once more, as she unleashed her transformation skills on top of being fused with Tyr!

FLAAASH!

"You're the one that's going to get eaten here..."

## Chapter 653 Overtaking The Dungeon Core

In that very moment, Maria conjured the power of [Gorgon Transformation] and [Abyssal Demon Transformation] together, unleashing her truest self. A monstrous being as big as a tower, with black exoskeleton like that of a beetle or a fly covering her body, dozens of insectoid legs growing over her body, and several snake-like heads popping out of her insectoid head, while a long snake-like tail behind her insectoid abdomen held another, larger snake head.

Her form was an utterly disgusting aberration between snakes and bugs, yet it embodied her latest evolutions, combining their power together. As a result, her stats began to skyrocket, increasing greatly... yet temporarily. The reason why Maria didn't overuse her Transformation Skills was a very simple one, they put a large quantity of pressure into her soul. The more she utilize them, the larger her backlash would be, tiring her greatly.

Although the backlash could be healed through Undead Healing, there was a limit to how much she could heal before her soul would begin to not resist the pressure anymore and could end up shattering into pieces... Maria had already used this form before, but now was forced to use it once more.

The Evil God Fragment glanced in disbelief as the tiny ghost he had been fighting suddenly transformed into a being equally as aberrant as him, if not even more monstrous. Her very form was terrifying, and the presence she emanated defied both life and death... as if things couldn't get any worse for him, she was receiving the strength of Tyr through Spirit Fusion.

"T-Tch...! Merely changing forms won't-"

"[Phantasmal Fist]"

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

Right in front of the Miasmic Dragon, a hundred exoskeleton-covered fists emerged, clashing one after the other like an endless rain of meteors.

BAAM! BAAM! BAAM! BAAM! BAAAAMMM!!!

"Unngggh..!"

CLAAAASSSHHH!!!

Each fist impacted the Miasmic Dragon differently this time, unlike Maria's previous blows, these felt completely "real" damaging the Evil God's Fragment directly! His entire body fell over the ground, shattering the floor of the Soul Scape at the same time.

"Y-YOUU!"

The Dragon-shaped aberration didn't waste any second, quickly unleashing countless beams of chaos and darkness from all the eyes on its body against Maria!

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

They flashed rapidly, reaching her body! However, large, bug-like wings resembling the wings of a moth, emerged from Maria's back, as she started to fly through the sky- or more like skipping space itself, the speed in which she flew was astonishingly fast!

BBBBBZZZZ!

And the accursed sound of her wings flying rapidly reverberated across the entire Soul Scape, only making the Evil God Fragment madder! His attacks became faster, as he tried to reach her, but Maria easily either tanked them with her newly acquired endurance or simply evaded them with her flashing speed!

FLAAASH!

And then, like a black-colored blur, she appeared right behind the Miasmic Dragon, her enormous insectoid claws once more unleashing a technique using her body as a weapon! Mana flowing through each of the hundreds of phantasmal fists at the same time, boosting her physical damage using magic damage!

"[Soul Piercing Punch]"

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

Each blow pierced through the Evil God's Soul instantly, leaving enormous holes that made the beast bleed its miasma out of its orifices, while groaning in agony! No barrier or defensive technique it tried to unleash was able to defend against Maria going all out!

BOOOOOMMMM!!!

"GRAAAAAHHH!"

The enormous Miasmic Dragon fell into the ground once more, impacting the floor and shattering it, generating several spiderweb-shaped cracks everywhere. Its eyes distorted in agony, as it attempted to copy Maria's attacks! Hundreds of dragon claws emerged from its agonizing oozy body, materializing and showering Maria with fist attacks!

"DIEEEEE!"

"Hmph."

Maria, however, remained calm despite her monstrous appearance, her entire body moved incredibly fast and gracefully, her aura danced by the movement of her monstrous body. Her fists easily intercepted those of the Evil God Fragment's, and crushed them, making them splatter into mere miasma around her surroundings.

BAAM! BAAM! BAAM! BAAM! BAAAAAM!!!

CRAAASSSSHHH!!!

The Evil God's Fragment felt as if his entire being was shattering. Maria's power had completely changed, and in mere seconds, he easily overpowered him. His body shattered away into pieces, and no matter how hard he tried to recover... it was impossible.

"A-Agh...! T-This is... impossible! ...What is this?! H-How?!"

Maria's monstrous claws reached his fragments, as her chest opened, revealing a gigantic spiraling void, which led to an endless void. He tried to resist, struggling, but to no avail, he was quickly devoured.

"Stoooooop!"

CRAAASSSH!

The sound of his fragments shattering into pieces echoed across the Soul Scape, the moment Maria devoured the Evil God's Fragment, the entire Soul Scape started to collapse!

"It is collapsing, it will soon disappear, escape this place Maria!" Said Tyr.

"Not yet... How could I possibly miss this big buffet?" Laughed Maria, her enormous soul quickly expanded as a mantle of shadows, spreading into every corner of the Soul Scape and dragging it all inside of her soul through the Black Hole in it!

FLUOOOOOSSSSHHH!!!

The entire place suddenly disappeared, becoming completely white. And from within the depths of this white scenery, she saw a gray-colored figure, it had no definite shape, and seemed to have no will of its own... This was perhaps the Dungeon Core's will without being parasitized by the Evil God's Fragment.

Maria slowly went back to her humanoid ghost form after that, as countless amounts of black smoke emerged out of her body.

"Hahhh... T-That was close..." She sighed in relief. "Uugh... Oof, way too close."

Her soul was slowly absorbing the new fragment, and she was gaining great strength, but even then, the transformation put a heavy burden in her soul, and she felt very exhausted.

"Now... this Dungeon Core is mine."

Maria smiled, as her phantasmal hands were inserted into the depths of the Dungeon Core's gray-colored soul, slowly beginning to assimilate it with her darkness the same way the Evil God's Fragment did so!

FLAAASH!

## Chapter 654 Her Struggle

Her words couldn't get to him, no matter how much she cried.

"Lucifer..."

She cried, fragmented apart.

"Dear..."

But no matter how much she called for him, he couldn't listen to her words.

"Why?!"

Her body didn't respond to her, her entire being was taken over by utter malice, and the negative emotions harbored within her body for thousands of years.

"What... what have I become?"

She cried, despaired, tried to get help... But she could not.

Her being was utterly torn to pieces, her emotions fluctuated constantly, and even her faint consciousness only was feeling agony, fear, and pain.

She didn't know why she was doing these things, she didn't even know how she was able to move either.

Her body could barely recall what it happened to it.

The soul that once belonged to this body... was long gone.

Yet these lingering emotions...

Anger.

"KILL... KILL THEM ALL!"

Pain.

"It hurts... It hurts so much..."

Agony.

"I cannot take this anymore... Please someone...! Someone!"

Despair.

"I cannot... do anything... I was unable to change anything... So utterly... powerless."

Frustration.

"If only I could had done something! If only..."

Rage.

"Lucifer! Why?! Why were you not here when we most needed you?!"

And... Sorrow.

"Everything's over... Why... Why did it end this way... My family... my children... everyone... everything..."

Such emotions, although not being the soul itself, were fragments of it, which were left lingering within her body, even after her death.

These emotions slowly generated Dark Emotions, Negative Energy, which slowly festered into Miasma, infecting her body and the rest of the mountain.

At some point, the miasma emanating from her body, filled with so many negative emotions, reached the underground dungeon, where it connected with the flow of Miasma coming from within its center, where the lingering Evil God's Fragment was located.



Both Miasmas combined together, and her entire body was dragged away... and devoured. Her emotions came together into a viscous and aberrant mass of miasma, fusing into her rotten body and turning her... into what she was now.

"What a delightful amount of Miasma and Negative Energy... You'll bring me great amounts of power!"

The voice of the Evil God's Fragment echoed within her broken mind at some point. The dungeon absorbed her powers, festered by her own negative emotions, it gained incredible power. One of the reasons why it was able to produce so much Miasma, way faster than its other half was because of her corpse.

These emotions, this small fragment left behind of her soul was put into an endless suffering, just to make more and more power... Ultimately, at some point, something finally changed. Someone arrived here, to the latest floor.

Deep inside, she felt, for the first time, a hint of hope as she saw him... He had changed a lot, but it was him, her husband, Lucifer. She tried to approach him slowly, only for him to begin to cry after seeing her in this state...

"Why are you crying, Lucifer? Please help me!"

And then she saw how so many were with him... so many people she had never seen before either. They helped him recover, but only made him aggressive, as he started punching her and attacking her...

"Why?! Why are you hitting me?!"

"It hurts! You've never... you've never done this to me!"

"You...! Who is that other woman you were talking to?!"

"After all I've suffered, you dare betray my love?! You dare come here to hit me and show me you've found another woman?!"

"You make me sick! DIE! DIE! DIE!!!"

Words she would have never said emerged from the depths of her mind, festered by the miasma and the negative energy, it warped her mind making her go insane. She could only think of negative things, without even trying to understand what was happening...

She roared and slashed away anything she found, those that fought her quickly realized she was mightier than they thought she was.

"Yes... I am not chicken anymore...! I have stopped running away long ago! While you ran away from us, I was here, trying to protect our home...! Bastard! I don't want you here, nor any of your stupid friends! Nor your disgusting woman!"

Lucifer, nor any of those fighting at his side could hear her angered words, as they were unable to read her broken and warped miasmic phantasm, a mass of negative emotions with a small soul fragment as its core, wrapped around miasma.

CRAAASH!

BOOOOM!

CLAAASH!

T R U U U M!

The battle continued, pieces of her body began flying from left and right, yet she continued fighting, endlessly. For some bizarre reason she never ran out of energy, and by channeling these negative emotions, her powers kept rising and rising.

At some point those she was fighting struggled, always being thrown away by her blows. She roared furiously, without being able to control her own body. Most of her very self was engulfed in this state... yet there was a small piece of herself, that kept being the same, and found this horrifying.

"Why?"

"My body... why is it moving on its own?!"

"Lucifer... I am sorry!"

"Please... someone stop me!"

"Stop this... I don't want to see this anymore!"

Her words of despair reached nobody...

Yet she couldn't stop calling for help.

She couldn't stop pushing, and pushing...

And continuing to push forward.

Her own light slowly began to glow brighter as she suddenly felt a connection with the dungeon being broken.

The endless amount of miasma flowing into her body... finally stopped.

And while her body was about to attack her weakened husband...

"No! STOOOP!"

She stopped.

"Huh?"

Lucifer, Partner, and Brunhild were left surprised the moment the monstrous mass of bones and rotten flesh stopped moving, its claws raised into the air suddenly lowered down, the monster was trembling in pain, incapable of controlling itself properly, and stepping back.

"C-Crystal?" Lucifer asked, suddenly seeing a small glint of light from within her hollow eyes.

## Chapter 655 Maria's Plan

Lucifer was taken aback the moment he saw the monstrous Zombie Dragon stopping its movements. The Miasma controlling her was finally gone, yet her darkest instincts as a Miasmic Monster, which was the composition of her very Miasmic Phantasm, were still there... Through sheer will, she managed to stop attacking her beloved, but the resistance she had to put into her body... it was too much.

"GRAAAAAARRGGGH!!! ROOOOAARRRR!"

She get groaning furiously, her mind constantly warping endlessly... she tried to fight it, but soon after, her berserk-like state came back, the glimpse of consciousness within her gone.

"Crystal!"

Suddenly, the voice of Maria emerged from atop the ceiling. The Zombie Dragon stopped its tracks once more, hearing that name made it sometimes flinch.

FLAAASH!

Maria emerged before everyone, quickly blocking the Zombie Dragon's path from reaching the weakened Lucifer, Brunhild, and Partner.

"That's enough..." She said, looking into the hollow eyes of the beast.

"GGRRRRRRHHHH..."

However, it seemed that the Undead was unable to concentrate, it continued roaring furiously, without stopping... It suddenly leaped from the ground, reaching Maria!

"RAAAAAAAHHH!"

"[Swarm Body]!"

BBBBBZZZZZ!

Maria's entire body suddenly turned into a gigantic and multiplying swarm of flies, which quickly captured the Bone Zombie, pushing it away as they surrounded her body tightly.

"ROOOOAARRRRR!"

The beast continued struggling, as Maria gave it one last chance, trying to insert her soul into Crystal's mind... or whatever that remained within.

FLAAASH!

However, each time she tried to get in, she saw endless darkness, and the cries of agony of Crystal.

She tried many times to take away the Miasma, to find the soul fragment... but the soul fragment itself wasn't there at all.

It had melted altogether with the Miasma composing her Phantom, what remained were merely lingering emotions, and memories... of endless agony.

But despite that, there was still a small piece of her left from here, even when the rest of her soul had gone to Helheim or perhaps Valhalla.

However, amidst each time she submerged her mind into hers, and always failed to save her, she heard her voice...

"Please... End this..."

"I don't want to hurt him anymore..."

"I don't want... to hurt anybody..."

"Please..."

"Maria..."

Maria heard her own name by Crystal's voice.

"Are you sure? I could... Maybe if I do something I could...!"

"It's... fine..."

"But!"

"Please... I'm begging you..."

No matter how hard Maria tried, without an actual complete soul to save, she was unable to do a single thing. With Crystal begging her to end this... she decided to do as she asked her.

"Emeraldine!"

Maria called upon Emeraldine, as a massive cannon made of wood she had made with the twins was readying itself. Large quantities of Mana and Spiritual Energy started gathering from within it, flashing brightly.

"Maria, get away from there!" Emeraldine called.

"Maria!!!" Lucifer roared.

"If you stay there you'll get shot as well!" Cried Partner.

"Maria... what is she trying to do?" Sighed Brunhild.

Amidst everyone's confusion, Maria reassured Emeraldine.

"Trust me... Shoot it!"

Emeraldine gritted her teeth, as branches and roots grew from her very skin, connecting to the giant Yggdrasil Cannon. Takeshi and Laura looked at the scene and seemed to doubt as well, but ultimately decided to trust their adoptive mother.

"Let's trust mama!" Said Takeshi.

"Yeah, let's trust her, auntie Emeraldine!" Laura said.

"Okay... I'll trust her... Whatever she's thinking of doing, I hope it's good!" Emeraldine said, charging her Mana into the Cannon.

"Gyuh! Let's trust master!" Root was also there, as he had completely merged with Emeraldine's Technique to ensure its power.

FLAAASH!

The Cannon flourished with flowers all over, as the tip of it bloomed a beautiful pink and golden flower, with long petals.

"[Yggdrasil's Spiritual Cannon]!!!"

FLAAAAAASSSHHHH!!!

An enormous beam of light emerged from within the flower, reaching Maria and Crystal at the same time, engulfing them completely into the light...

BOOOOOOOMMMMM!!!!

The enormous explosion was so strong it quickly forced everyone to move to the corners of the enormous Boss Room, protected by barriers Emeraldine created. However, even then, the light engulfed everyone else.

FLASH!

For a moment, it felt as if everything had changed... Everyone found themselves within a completely white space. They were all confused, just what was happening now? Maria looked around, finding everyone at her side, Lucifer, Brunhild, Partner, Emeraldine, Takeshi, Laura, Root, and Nyx.

"Mama? Ah, papa!" Nyx flew towards her mama and then her papa, confused.



"Nyx..." Lucifer hugged his daughter, and then Maria. "What... is going on now?"

"We are... in something I was able to make in the very last moment." Maria sighed. "Once Crystal's soul was purified by Emeraldine's attack, I was able to grab her soul and create this pseudo-Soul Scape... It is already beginning to disintegrate but..."

Maria looked into the distance, finding a beautiful crystal-scaled dragoness at the distance.

"It was all thanks to the Items I got... I was able to create the Sunshine Orb, which enchanted purification abilities. The Forbidden Watch helped me stop this area's time for a few seconds, perhaps a minute. And then... the Void Gazing Eye helped me gaze through the void of Crystal's soul, dragging away and reassembling the last bits of her consciousness. Yet even now, I can't do anymore than this, her very being is slowly being purified... We don't have much time." Maria explained what she utilized.

It seemed as if the Swamp Dungeon's Core had predicted the very future, all the items it gifted to Maria were usable for this very moment... all only to create a minute and a few more seconds so they could talk with Crystal.

"Maria..." Lucifer cried.

"Come on now, everyone, let's go meet her... We cannot waste a single second." Maria said, leading everyone towards the beautiful crystal scaled dragon in front of them.

Crystal seemed as if she was a sculpture made of beautiful blue jewels. Her beautiful blue eyes curiously glanced everywhere, as she felt just as confused as everyone else about why she was here... and what had happened just now.

"Where... where am I?"

The white space slowly began to change as Maria walked towards Crystal. A beautiful grassland emerged. Butterflies began flying everywhere, a wonderful forest erected behind Crystal, mountains, a blue sky, and a shining sun. The dragoness never felt this good before... So free and so calm. Her emotions were finally finding some time to arrange themselves, as all negative emotions were purified, she felt at ease.

"Am I... in heaven?" Wondered Crystal, looking around. "If I am here... perhaps my children..."

As she was about to try to find them, a group of people quickly reached her, appearing behind her.

"Sadly, this is not really heaven... I was told that the souls of dragons go to Valhalla though, a beautiful garden maintained by Yggdrasil itself, where all souls can rest in tranquility." Maria said with a smile, Crystal meet her at long last.

"Ah... You are- Eh? And everyone here... W-What's going on? This is not... it's not heaven nor hell? What is this place?" Asked Crystal, confused out of her mind.

"Explaining everything would be a waste of time, but let's call this a Temporary Soul Scape Time Bubble, a unique space I was able to make by combining my power over the Dungeon, and a series of specific materials, all for this moment. It can stop time within this area for one minute, but the interior of this time bubble's time goes slower, a minute becomes an hour." Maria said. "Hello, Crystal, it is nice to meet you at long last, even if you are only a piece of your original soul."

"Maria... Ah! How do I know your name?" Crystal seemed to not completely recall her time as a Zombie Dragon. But perhaps... that was for the best.

"I guess we had a little talk. I saw through everything you went through... I couldn't simply let it end like that. Maybe I could have used these items differently, but I think you deserved them." I sighed.

"Crystal..." Lucifer slowly transformed into his dragon form, but way smaller, only as big as five meters, the same compact size that Crystal had.

"Lucifer? Lucifer! Dear!" Crystal ran towards Lucifer, hugging him with her wings and her front arms.

"Oof!" Lucifer exclaimed, Crystal's weight threw him into the grass, as the two dragons rolled down the grasslands, reaching the end of the small hill.

"Lucifer! I've missed you so much!" Crystal began crying, licking Lucifer all over his face.

"Crystal... Agh! Me too... Ahh, you still have that habit of licking me so much when you're happy..." Sighed Lucifer, as he licked her back. "I've missed you every day since I lost you."

The two dragons sat down, looking at one another.

"What happened?" Wondered Crystal.

"It's a long story... But you're..." Lucifer muttered.

"Yeah... I figured it out." Sighed Crystal. "I'm dead, right?"

Lucifer seemed to struggle to accept such a harsh reality, yet this has been a fact for thousands of years now. He nodded, faintly. His eyes filled with sorrow.

"I see..." Crystal sighed, looking into the blue sky. "I think I recall something... Lingering emotions... darkness... all of it gathered together into my own decaying body... Am I even... the Crystal you know?"

"You sure are." Lucifer said. "Without a doubt."

"I was... confined into a dungeon, right? I was a monster... that attacked you..." Crystal slowly began to regain her memories, at the same time as Maria and the rest of the group made their way near the two dragons.

"But then... Them." Crystal looked back at Maria and company. "All of you freed me from that horrid cage... Thank you."

"It's... nothing. Don't ever mind it." Emeraldine said with a gentle smile.

"You're so beautiful..." Laura said.

"Are you made of jewels?" Wondered Takeshi.

"Fufu..." Crystal giggled, finding the two children cute. "You two slightly remind me of our children... It could be said my body is covered in them."

"Oooh! Wagon?" Nyx flew towards her, flapping her tiny black wings.

Crystal tilted her head, looking at this humanoid dragon girl for a bit, and then, she touched her head.

POOF!

"Uwah! Oooh?!"

And out of nowhere, Nyx suddenly changed, she turned into an adorable tiny, black-scaled dragon! And her scales... they were like Crystal; they were shiny black jewels. Maria couldn't believe it.

"Oh my god, she's so cute!" Maria said while smiling.

"Wagon?! I am wagon?!" Asked Nyx while looking around. "Woow!"

"I knew it..." Crystal said, tears flowing through my eyes. "My child... the unhatched egg- Brunhild! You survived and protected it..."

Brunhild nodded at the sides.

"It is the least I could had done, your spell maintained her alive for thousands of years. By fate, Lucifer was revived by Maria, and we found one another some time ago in another dungeon." Said Brunhild.

"Yeah, she's our daughter." Lucifer said.

"Our daughter..." Crystal said. "D-Dear, may I... may I hug you?"

"Huh?" Nyx seemed confused; she couldn't really recognize Crystal as her biological mother.

However, she saw how she was being so close with her father that she happily agreed, nodding.

"Oway!"

"Haahh~ What a bliss..."

Crystal gently hugged Nyx, rubbing her nose into her own head, and licking her all over.

"My little baby... My little treasure... you're alive... you're really alive! Ah... I am so happy...!"

Crystal was so moved she continued crying, while embracing Nyx.

The little Nyx was confused, but let Crystal give her affection, because she really didn't mind.

As this happened, Maria quickly took out several things from her inventory, bringing out even food.

"Let's have a meal before we depart... We have a lot to tell you, Crystal..."

Like that, Maria decided to prepare Crystal a quick meal of roasted meat, with stew she already had prepared, and even other delicious flavors. She knew Crystal liked flavorful meals, according to what Lucifer sometimes told him about.

And as Crystal enjoyed these delicious meals, everyone quickly explained everything to her. They couldn't go into many details, but they made sure she learned about the most important things...

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As they spoke, not everything was serious, there were also giggles, smiles, and jokes. Crystal learned about Lucifer and his relationship with Maria, and learned about Maria and everything she had done as well... It didn't even took a second for her to accept everything with a calm and serene smile. Maria got to finally know Crystal and realized why Lucifer loved her so much as well..

She was such a good person, a gentle-hearted girl, with a beautiful voice and eyes filled with a strong conviction all at the same time. She didn't even got angry over her being in a relationship with her husband, she knew she was dead, and she couldn't change that right now either, even if Maria really wanted to bring her back. After all, her soul was long gone, and what remained was a small piece that was fading away.

"So that's how it is... It is thanks to you that Nyx was able to hatch altogether." Said Crystal. "Without your appearance, Lucifer would had never been able to come back from his death, nor would you had been able to meet Brunhild either... It's all connected at the end."

"Well, it was also thanks to Lucifer's Dungeon that I raised as a ghost, the miasma emanated from his dungeon was what brought me back... It could be said it was all thanks to a series of coincidences, but they all connected us, and brought us together like this." Maria said with a smile.

"Yeah... Fate is truly a mysterious force." Crystal sighed. "I feel like the Yggdrasil Tree, which guides the world itself, might have brought you here as well. Our ancient ancestors remain here, somewhere..."

Perhaps they have moved something, I know it. I can feel it now that I am nothing but a piece of my soul."

"Crystal was said to be an Oracle of our Ancestors, as she often received their messages from the other side." Lucifer explained.

"I see..." I nodded.

"Did you heard something else?" Wondered Partner.

"Oh no, nothing more than those few little things..." Crystal sighed.

"I also heard something from Yggdrasil, she had spoken before... The Gods might move in the future, this world... is going to change, perhaps permanently." Said Emeraldine.

"So that's the fate of this world..." Crystal said.

Crystal continued conversing with everyone, while Nyx sat down at her side, taking a nap before the sunlight relaxedly.

As everyone spoke with Crystal, they noticed her body began to fade away into particles of light. It as very slow, starting from the tip of her tail...

Lucifer began gripping his fists as he saw her slowly fading away from here... He wished this time could last forever.

He wished this happiness he was feeling could last an eternity, that he would reunite with Crystal and live happily with everyone else.

"Maria... Is there... is there no other way?" Lucifer whispered to Maria.

Maria looked back at him, caressing his scales, and waving her head silently.

"I'm sorry... I've tried everything."

"I... see..."

Lucifer was filled with pain. Crystal noticed how he was feeling, as she gave him a lick in his face.

"Cheer up, Lucifer. I am not departing forever." Crystal said. "One day, we'll meet once more, everyone... I know."

"Crystal... I wish... I wish we could spend even a single second more together..." Lucifer said, tears flowing from his eyes once more.

"It's fine... In this little hour, I got to know lots of wonderful people... And also see the new man you've become. I am... proud of you, dear." Crystal hugged Lucifer.

As Lucifer saw her fading away, he grasped her tightly, as if not wanting her to go away from his grasp...

"Don't leave... please... I...! I have yet to say so many more things...!" Lucifer said, slowly losing his mind.

"Lucifer!" Crystal said, suddenly reprimanding him. "Aren't you the Dragon King, the loyal friend of the Demon King? Come on, act like the King you are, dear. I'll be fine, you don't have to cry for me anymore. Don't you see you have so many people here precious to you now?"

"Yeah..." Lucifer said. "I'm sorry..."

Crystal nodded, giving one last kiss to Lucifer and her sleeping daughter, her body was almost completely gone, as what barely remained of her was her torso.



"I bet our little children are waiting for their mama, so I've gotta go. Even if I am a small piece of my original soul, I am sure I am missing that piece." Said Crystal. "Please, take care of my daughter, Maria... She already loves you as her mother, and I wouldn't be more happy because of that. This way... she won't go through the pain of living without one."

"Crystal..." Maria sighed, feeling moved, she began crying like a baby as well. She bear with it long enough but couldn't contain her tears anymore. "I'll raise her well! Thank you for trusting me, you don't know how much this means to me..."

"Crystal I...!" Brunhild muttered.

"Brunhild, I am happy you survived through all of this... Take care of Lucifer, okay? As her big sister, you've always gotta be there for him." Said Crystal. "Promise?"

"I... I promise." Brunhild sighed, smiling.

"Everyone else... thanks for being here for him, and for my daughter... I am... truly, truly thankful for your goodwill. And I hope you can keep accompanying my husband and our daughter through their lives. I can tell that every one of you makes their lives whole." Crystal said, moving the hearts of everyone.

"Sure!" Partner nodded.

"For sure." Emeraldine agreed.

"Okay!" Takeshi seemed willing.

"I will." Laura agreed.

"Gyuh! I am new here, but I'll protect my family!" Root said.

Crystal began fading away more and more, until only a part of her face remained.

She silently glanced back at her daughter, Nyx.

"I love you, my dearest daughter... I'll be watching over you, make sure to live a happy and fulfilling life, for your big siblings that could not..." Crystal said as her parting words, as Nyx slowly woke up the moment her mother faded away into particles of light.

She looked into the light slowly dissipating, her eyes began crying, even when she didn't really knew why...

## Chapter 658 Dungeon Clear

(Maria's POV)

When it all ended, the Time Bubble I had created slowly faded away, as we found ourselves sitting on top of the Dungeon's Floor. What we went through was sure... moving to the core. I cannot begin how much it made me feel. But I can tell, it was a real tearjerker. Gosh, I am crying too much right now.

Nyx seemed to have woken up just when Crystal's last soul fragment went back to the afterlife, wherever that might be. She seemed slightly confused, and for some reason, my little girl was crying.

Did she somehow, perhaps instinctively, realized Crystal was her mother?

Maybe...

"Nyx? Are you okay?" I wondered, as everyone else slowly stood up, we were all dead silent after the little time we spent with Crystal.

"Hm! I'm okay..." Nyx said, cleaning her tears, she had gone back to her humanoid form already.

Her dragon form was small and adorable too, but it seemed she felt more comfortable in this form instead.

It seems she was okay, but I don't know if she really realized it was her or not... Perhaps something instinctual which she seems to not comprehend.

I don't know if we should tell her the truth now... After all, it was such a sad farewell, it even made me cry as well.

Maybe when she grows older, I can tell her that she had another mother, the one that laid her egg and all... I don't want her to ever forget Crystal, but until then, it is better to leave things as they are.

I am sure Crystal would want it this way, after all she didn't even seem bothered by Nyx not recognizing her anyways.

She was such a forgiving woman... I guess she's the only one that could have liked Lucifer back then, when he was EVEN grumpier.

And talking about my Lucifer... He seemed rather saddened, even though he had a last chance to meet her and talk with her, I can get how painful it might be.

I quickly went towards him, hugging him tightly.

"How do you feel?" I asked him. He looked at me with a smile filled with melancholy, he had cried enough he couldn't cry any longer, most likely.

"I am feeling alright, thanks for being so considerate... It was all thanks to you that I was able to meet her again and talk with her in this way..." Lucifer sighed. "Thank you, thank you so much, Maria."

He hugged me tightly, smiling honestly. I never saw him act this way... so open and happy, so thankful. I guess... even now, he had been hiding his emotions from me. But now it seemed different.

It looked as if he had finally let go of his last traumas, of his last regrets, and he was perhaps finally embracing his new life with us... with his daughter and me.

"Aww, it's nothing honey." I sighed, giving him a head pat. "Crystal was an amazing girl! I am also happy I was able to meet her."

"She was, right?" Lucifer sighed. "I still love her even now, I doubt I could ever stop loving her. But I also love you, Maria. I love you so much... I... Are these feelings okay with you? Is it okay that I still love her?"

"Of course it is, dummy! Why would I ever want it any other way? You better keep loving her!" I said with a smile while crossing my arms.

"Hah... I love that part of you, you're so carefree, and so strong-willed. You have such an inspiring smile, and you're always cheerful no matter what... Maria, you're my guiding light." Lucifer held my hands, giving me a kiss.

"Y-You're saying a lot of romantic stuff..." I muttered while blushing. "I feel like throwing you into a bed and doing a lot of love with you right about now..."

"A-Ah, hahah... Maybe..." Lucifer giggled.

"Anyways, love-birds, we should get going!" Partner said, emerging behind me. "Master, I am hungry too!"

"Hungry? But you just ate!" I said. "Sheesh..."

"Yeah but that was like... Spiritual food or something." Partner gave an excuse that wasn't right, I am fairly sure that was real food somehow.... Or was it? Well I am spiritual so maybe it felt real for me but not for physical beings.

"I think we should really have a feast to celebrate our dungeon conquest." Emeraldine said. "Also, did you guys leveled up by any chance? I got tons of EXP. "I am insanely close to max level right now..."

"Yeah I leveled quite a lot." Partner added.

"Me too..." I sighed. "I reached max level, actually."

"Eh? Max level already?!" Lucifer wondered. "Then... can you evolve already?"

"Yep, I think I can, but for now I don't want to." I sighed. "I'm tired."

"Well, we finished here..." Sighed Lucifer. "Let's go back to the surface for now, shall we?"

As we slowly walked back to the gate in silence, we suddenly remembered something.

"The dwarves!!!" We all screamed at the same time.

We ran towards the Boss Room's gates, slamming them open!

BAAAM!

However, what we found was... not what we expected. In there, we found all the dwarves making a leisure camp, eating some roasted meat. The surrounding caves were completely cleansed of miasma, covered by glowing moss and many mushrooms. There were animals crawling here and there as well, not monsters.

"Oh! You guys are finally back!" Helga said, she wasn't even wearing her golem suit. "You won't believe what happened! Just some minutes ago the whole dungeon underwent some sort of purification! Miasma was gone, the monsters stopped spawning, and plants are growing everywhere! There's even normal animals! And we can breathe just fine here."

"A-Amazing!" I said in surprise. "It seem the whole dungeon got purified after we conquered it..."

"Yep, seems like things are slowly going back to normal now..." Helga sighed. "Agh, though I think I'll have nightmares after we fought so many zombie dwarves... Man, that was tough."

I guess the dwarves also had their own traumatic experiences...

Chapter 659 {Evil God Successor}

Ding!

[You gained 30000000 EXP!]

[Your Level has increased from Level 79 to Level 80!]

[All your stats have increased!]

[You've reached your Max Level!]

[You can now evolve. For consulting evolution options, visit the [Evolution Tab] option in the System Menu]

[Name]: [Maria Fuentes Belles]

[Status]: [Strengthened, Cursed]

[Race]: [Beelzebub]

[Job]: [Dark Shadow Spectral Death Spirit Queen]

[Level]: [80/80]

[EXP]: [--/--]

[Rank]: [A++]

[HP]: [178000/178000]

[MP]: [405000/405000]

[Attack]: [114000]

[Defense]: [115500]

[Magic]: [394400]

[Agility]: [178000]

[Aether]: [115]

[System Points]: [850000]

[Soul Grimoire Abilities]: [Analysis], [Skill Shop], [Creation], [Deletion], [Transfer], [Enhance]

[Characteristic Skills]: [Ultimate Skill: Yog-Sothoth] [Unique Skill: Supreme Magic] [Unique Skill: System] [Unique Skill: Goddess] (Sealed) [Undead: Lv--] [Dark Element: Lv--] [Death Element: Lv--] [Poison Element: Lv--] [Illusion Element: Lv--] [Elemental Spirit: Lv--] [Fiend Language: Lv10] [Shadow Transportation: Lv8] [Abyssal Body: Lv10] [Supernatural Senses: Lv10] [Poison Body: Lv9] [Plague Body: Lv7] [Abyss Eater: Lv4] [Lesser Soul Scape: Lv2]

[Resistance Skills]: [Status Effect Immunity: Lv--] [Greater Magic Damage Resistance: Lv8] [Darkness Resistance: Lv10] [Fear Resistance: Lv10] [Elemental Resistance: Lv9] [Poison/Toxin/Venom Absorption: Lv-] [Erosion Resistance: Lv5] [Holy Light Resistance: Lv4] [Ice Resistance: Lv4] [Water Resistance: Lv5] [Skill Resistance: Lv1]

[Physical Skills]: [Phantasmal Grasp: Lv9] [Masterful Stealth: Lv6] [Cursed Abyssal Blade Arts: Lv4] [Barbaric Dark Axe Arts: Lv4] [Phantasmal Limbs: Lv8] [Demonic Ghostly Fist Technique: Lv1] [Piercing Spear Attack: Lv7] [Kicking Blow: Lv4]

[Magical Skills]: [Greater Curse: Lv7] [Life Absorption: Lv8] [Phantasmal Puppeteer: Lv3] [Dark Sun: Lv7] [Dark Storm: Lv8] [Abyssal Spear Arrow: Lv6] [Abyssal Barrier: Lv6] [Abyss Manipulation: Lv6] [Black Lightning Strike: Lv6] [Transfiguration of Death: Lv5] [Soul Devourer: Lv4] [Undead Detonation: Lv9] [Shadow Thread: Lv8] [Disease and Poison Creation: Lv8] [Pandora's Box: Lv9] [Shadow and Death Domain: Lv9] [Gorgon's Five Cursed Eyes: Lv7] [Gorgon's Transformation: Lv7] [Chaotic Dark Meteor: Lv6] [Dungeon Manipulation: Lv3] [Abyssal Demon Transformation: Lv4] [Illusory Delusion: Lv5] [Mind Bending: Lv5] [Insect Manipulation: Lv5] [Miasmic Essence Manipulation: Lv5] [Gate of the Underworld: Lv4] [Phantasmal Flames: Lv4] [Bone Weapon and Armor Creation: Lv4]

[Support Skills]: [Shadow Storage: Lv10] [Death Restoration: Lv4] [Erase Presence: Lv10] [Summon: Lv8] [Spirit Summon: Lv6] [Spirit Connection: Lv4] [Spirit Fusion: Lv3] [Aura of Famine: Lv9] [Embodiment: Lv3] [Cooking: Lv7] [Hunting: Lv4] [Split Thinking: Lv8] [Mental Mapping: Lv7] [Phantasmal Stomach: Lv9] [Farming: Lv3] [Alchemy: Lv5] [Mining: Lv3] [Dismantle: Lv3] [Taming: Lv2] [Mana Transfer: Lv4] [Novice Alchemist Recipe Book: Lv5] [Smithing: Lv2] [Chopping: Lv2] [Lovemaking: Lv1]

[Title Skills]: [The Dark Witch: Lv8] [Dungeon Conqueror: Lv7] [Big Game Slayer: Lv9] [Taboo Mark: Lv8] [Bringer of Misfortune: Lv10] [Undead Queen: Lv9] [Evil of the World: Lv7] [Pickpocket: Lv7] [Apprentice Swordsman: Lv9] [Apprentice Axe Warrior: Lv7] [Apprentice Spear User: Lv4] [Apprentice Thread User: Lv6] [Spirit Queen: Lv5] [Spirit Mediator: Lv5] [Poison Queen: Lv6] [Merciless Assassin: Lv6] [God of Light Nemesis: Lv5] [Shameless Degenerate: Lv4] [Opportunistic Buyer: Lv5] [Plague Exterminator: Lv3] [Gluttonous Eater: Lv7] [Saint of Death: Lv6] [Deceiver: Lv4] [Undead Slayer: Lv5] [Slime Slayer: Lv3]



[King Slayer: Lv5] [Dungeon Master: Lv4] [Dungeon Destroyer: Lv4] [Queen of Flies: Lv3] [Sin of Gluttony: Lv4] [Mold Breaker: Lv5] [Sacrilegious Existence: Lv3] [Vampire Slayer: Lv1] [Little Farmer: Lv3] [Bookworm: Lv2] [Clandestine Brewer: Lv3] [Greedy Miner: Lv3] [Butcherer: Lv3] [Gotta Catch Them All!: Lv2] [Mythical Beast Slayer: Lv4] [Purifier Of Chaos: Lv3] [Explosion Maniac: Lv3] [Infernal Queen: Lv2] [Ice Monster Slayer: Lv2] [Human Slayer: Lv2] [Apprentice Blacksmith: Lv2] [Bone Queen: Lv2] [Lumberjack: Lv2] [Dragon Slayer: Lv2] [Relentless Hunter: Lv2] [Soul Scape Master: Lv2] [Calamity Kindergarten: Lv2] [Merciless Killer: Lv2] [Yggdrasil's Botanist: Lv2] [Swamp Queen: Lv2] [Aquatic Monster Exterminator: Lv2] [Sex Beast: Lv1] [Aerial Monster Exterminator: Lv1] [Chaotic Monster Exterminator: Lv1] [Apprentice Martial Artist: Lv3] [Apprentice Chef: Lv4] [Master of the Demonic Phantasmal Fist School: Lv1] [Mass Murderer: Lv1]

[Divine Protections]: [Hel's Divine Protection]

[Soul Scape Spirit Treasures]: [Withering Trees of Death (Lesser Spirit Treasure)] [Red Flowers of Blood (Lesser Spirit Treasure)], [Purple Flowers of Poison (Lesser Spirit Treasure)] [Black Flowers of Darkness (Lesser Spirit Treasure)]

Ahh... Three levels worth of stats and my stats only increased a tiny bit more. Oh well, for now I should really evolve, right? But it would be a pain to do it in here, wouldn't it be? I might as well have a nice nap before even evolving.

Though it would be better if I do that inside a Dungeon, if I evolve inside some house or something, that's bound to bring more problems than anything! Especially now that I am actually about to evolve into an S Rank Ghost, most likely.

What's there that's even stronger than Beelzebub though? It makes me quite curious... Like, I really want to check it out! No, no, maybe I should really evolve? Yeah, the faster the better. If I do it in here with everyone that knows I am a monster, it should be fine.

Once we reached Floor 1, we decided to take a small break. The Floor 1 had completely cleansed from all the miasma now. The sky was completely blue and the clouds were moving around the skies peacefully, the sun was shining brightly and calmly, and even new trees and rivers popped up.

Root seemed rather happy with this, and began spreading his own roots around, helping fellow trees grow faster as a result. At the same time, we decided to have a meal in here. Lucifer began cooking with Partner and most of the dwarves, while Emeraldine took care of the kids.

As I was about to check out my new evolution options, a few new System windows popped up though, they were the same ones that had appeared before when I ate an Evil God Fragment and conquered a dungeon, which happened in this dungeon's other half, or the twin.

Ding!

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Chapter 660 Enemy Of The Gods

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"Oi, Tyr! Explain to me what this is!" I complained, as Tyr emerged at my side.

He had been absorbing the powers I acquired by devouring the second large fragment of the Evil God. Tyr was now a part of my own soul as well, so he naturally had access to my powers as I did of his, which we shared.

His body had grown larger, and he had gained more red eyes, and more tentacles. Honestly he showed me some memories of looking like some handsome bearded Viking-like god, but he really became an eldritch aberration thanks to Loki, yikes.

"What with all the ruckus? Don't you see I am trying to help you absorb my powers better- huh?! Descendant?! Oh!" Tyr instead of acting annoyed by this, was surprised and even... smiled?!

"Bastard! Why are you smiling over this all out of the sudden?! This is no laughing matter!" I complained.

"Don't you get it? These are fantastic news for me! It means I've finally gotten myself a descendant! One of my regrets is never having kids, but now you're going to take their position as my descendant, an heir!" He celebrated.

"I don't want to be your heir..." I sighed.

"Well it seems like that's not for you to decide anymore..." He laughed.

I grabbed him and began smacking him into the floor out of pure anger.

"AAGGH! Let me go!" He cried. "I told you I have no power over these things! Soul Books are things each person has in their souls... However Gods can control which powers people possess, Skills, and the like... they can give or steal from others...!"

"What?! So the Gods... did this?" I wondered.

"Obviously! This is kind of like... a mark of sorts." Tyr said. "It means you're someone dangerous that's trying to get my powers. I don't think you're the first one to have ever absorbed a fragment of my body, but all of them often either hide from the gods or received their ultimate divine punishment."

"S-So there are more descendants?!" I asked in panic.

"No, but there were other with Titles similar to those... Such as [Evil God Disciple] or [Evil God Vessel], some were even [Evil God's Worshipper]..." Tyr sighed. "However, I have no idea what my other fragments might be up to. They're all insane unlike me, who has his insanity cleansed by being eaten by your special soul."

"Huh... I guess it makes me feel relieved I am not the only freaky one, but still..." I sighed. "I think those guys might be just evil for the sake of it. My situation is different, I didn't wanted to worship you or ask you for evil favors, I just ate you to gain power..."

"Y-Yeah, I get it... Geeh...! P-Please don't squeeze me so hard!" Tyr asked for mercy.

"Ungh... Well... Whatever, I've gone this deep anyways. I might as well keep eating your fragments and revive you, maybe if you behave." I said with a smile.

"I am behaving! Stop treating me like a stress relieving plushieeee..." Tyr complained, until...

Ding!

[Powerful Divine Presences are watching over you.]

[The force of the Dungeon protects you from their direct gazes.]

[The Aesir Gods seem to be concerned.]

[Odin, the God of Light] is angered at your insolence.]

[He says that you've eaten enough Fragments and seems concerned about whatever you're planning to do.]

[He asks you to stop.]

[The God of Light sees you as a legitimate threat!]

[Thor, the God of Thunder] laughs at your insolence.]

[He finds you an amusing little insect.]

[Most of the other Aesir Gods seem to agree.]

CRAAAASH!

Suddenly, from within the ceiling of the dungeon, an enormous blast came rushing from the skies!

"W-What the heck is that?!"

Everyone looked at the dungeon's ceiling, as it began gaining countless cracks!

H-Hold up for a second there buddy!

This wasn't supposed to happen!

Since when have the gods been this touchy anyways?!

Crack... crack... CRACK! CRAAACK!

"The Dungeon's ceiling is shattering?!" Tyr asked in shock. "This can't be! Are the Gods trying to attack you from within the skies using a [Divine Judgement]?!"

"D-Divine Judgement?! What's that?!" I asked in confusion.

"That's a power the Gods utilize to directly intervene with the world... They are too uptight to descend themselves, but they surely like throwing lightning or beams of light from the sky!" Tyr complained.

CRACK... CRACK!

Ding!

[The Dungeon is taking severe damage!]

[The Dungeon's walls are breaking!]

CRAAAAASSSHH!!!!

The sky suddenly shattered, as an enormous hole was opened. From within, a beam of light emerged, accompanied by what seemed to be the figure of a man holding a hammer.

"Hahahah... HAHHAHAHA! I've finally found you, little insect! You're playing around so happily with your friends! I bet you are planning the destruction of the world, are you not?!"

The man made of light and thunder spoke, raising his hammer against me. I could barely notice any details within his body or shape, but he was sure the God of Thunder, Thor!

I had heard he stopped the Evil God Fragments from gaining a new body by splitting this dungeon into two, now that I have eaten both fragments and conquered both dungeons, I suppose I've really angered him.

"I will exterminate you! By father's commands, you shall receive [Divine Judgement]."

Thor raised his hammer as light and thunder began to gather at insane quantities. Divine power flowing across the entire skies as storms emerged out of thin air. The entire world began crumbling apart by his powerful yet chaotic strength.

"[Mjolnir Strike]!"

CRAAAAAAASSSHHHHHH!!!

