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Chapter 841 Concept of Justice's evolution

Zatiel's karma extended through the entire Prima Universe, and his Sun of Justice set those threads ablaze. It was an incredible sight, but only he could see it since he was the only one in the entire universe controlling the power of karma.

Those flaming karmic threads could ignore space-time limitations, extending without end, crossing worlds and life forms.

A smile formed on the Neo-Demon Ancestor's face as he felt the calm in those karma threads. He had infused the power of the Concept of Justice in them, so they would react if they got near any location where sentient life felt that justice did not exist.

Unfortunately, things did not stay for long, as a set of karmic threads burst with flames after crossing a hidden Low World.

Zatiel's eyes narrowed as he got the exact location and teleported using karma. The next second, he appeared in the void next to a Low World located in the center of a cosmic storm.

The universal phenomenon completely isolated the world from the rest of the Prima Universe. Rank 8 life forms could cross the cosmic storm, but the place was so desolate that it would be odd for someone with that power to wander this place.

Zatiel's consciousness covered the world in a second, allowing him to see everything that happened inside it. His soul force was already at the level of a Primarch, so there was no way a Low World's Crystal Wall could stop him.

Gradually coldness filled Zatiel's eyes as he saw what was happening. This Low World resembled a hellscape and was not unlike what you would see in Baator.

Only humans inhabited this Low World, but a small group carrying a specific bloodline treated all those without it as slaves.

The bloodline that those in power were so proud of barely allowed you to enter Rank 4, but it was enough to give them the military might to control the entire world.

Despite all of them being part of the same race, the level of xenophobia Zatiel saw how outrageous. Those with the bloodline could kill those without in broad daylight without any form of repercussion.

"Die!" Zatiel uttered that word before the Sun of Justice manifested at full power.

At that moment, the Low World experienced something that would remain in its people's minds for the rest of their lives.

Everybody stared at the sky as they saw a new sun appear. It was silver, and its warmth was the most beautiful feeling those oppressed felt in their entire lives.

On the other hand, the people of this world that enjoyed oppressing others and whose cruelty had no limits felt an absolute terror before every single one of them began to burn.

Regardless of their power, all those that defied the Concept of Justice burned to death. The Sun of Justice had the strength to kill them instantly, but Zatiel ensured they would suffer for their sins.

Zatiel's eyes were cold as he killed millions of people. He would show no mercy for those with the ability to reason and still choose to embark on the path of evil.

Suddenly, Zatiel's eyes narrowed as he saw how his Sun of Justice's sunlight began to also act on the oppressed population.

Instead of burning them alive as it did with sinners, the Sun of Justice's energy began to heal the rest. It went beyond that with those that risked their lives to help others and fight this world's injustice.

The Sun of Justice did that on its own, manifesting the Concept of Justice's power.

A feeling of enlightenment appeared in Zatiel's soul as he saw all that, but he could not put it in words yet. He needed to carry on for that feeling to grow stronger and decipher its essence.

He made sure to kill every one of the oppressors, healed the rest of the world, and left a small silver heavenly body orbiting the globe.

Anyone that focused on the silver heavenly body would learn the rules and codes that the Neo-Demon Race followed and that had extended through the entire Prima Universe. It will also allow them to enter the Virtual Dream Universe, so they can get in touch with other worlds and learn more.

Bringing those people out would have been ideal, but the universe was ready to enter a war, so Zatiel did not have time to do that. He would do it in the future if he were still alive after the Ultimate Multiversal War.

Zatiel teleported to another world in similar conditions to the previous one and allowed the full might of the Sun of Justice to shine on it.

As the Concept Sun destroyed the evil and rewarded the good, the feeling of enlightenment in Zatiel's soul grew even stronger. He left a silver heavenly body before teleporting again.

One after another, isolated worlds were visited by a silver sun that killed all those that were evil and helped the rest. It took Zatiel less than five minutes to finish with a world, and he did it for months.

After finishing each world, Zatiel's enlightenment grew until he finally reached its zenith, and his understanding of the Concept of Justice evolved.

'Justice is not just retribution. It is much more than just punishing evil. True justice means enhancing the good while destroying the evil. The more just something is, the easier it is for life to prosper and suppress injustice on its own. Eventually, it would gain its own momentum and cover the entire universe without the need for people like me to enforce it.'

Zatiel's realization made his Concept Sun grow stronger, gaining even mightier qualities, no longer just focusing on destructive might but also healing power.

A large smile appeared on his face as he carried on unleashing the power of his Sun of Justice on isolated worlds. However, a few days after his actualization, something interfered with his teleportation.

Zatiel sought to reach the void outside a small plane, but he appeared inside an empty and lifeless world. His instincts screamed for an instant, but the feeling of danger immediately disappeared.

Despite no longer feeling a threat to his life, Zatiel did not lower his guard. His power had grown so much that not even a Fourth Evolution Extreme Rank 9 could interfere with his teleportation.

As Zatiel expected, a man was sitting not far away from him, and his power was above the Law Realm.

That man was no other than his final enemy, the Flame Emperor.

Chapter 842 The Flame Emperor's secrets

As soon as Zatiel saw the Flame Emperor, his energy, body, soul, will, and Omega Law burst with all their power. His instincts not warning him of danger meant nothing to him since the King in Yellow made it painfully clear that they could fail.

Zatiel unleashed waves that should have shattered space-time, but to his surprise, nothing happened. He attempted to teleport away, but a force sealed everything, and communication was also impossible as that same power also distorted his karma and connection to the Virtual Dream Universe.

The Flame Emperor did nothing as Zatiel attempted all sorts of ways to leave or at least send a message to the outside.

Eventually, the Neo-Demon Ancestor sighed before calming his power. Clearly, the Flame Emperor planned this for a long time and ensured to erase any flaws.

Nevertheless, despite facing someone with a power that surpassed him by an immense amount, Zatiel did not lose control or panic. They were still in the Prima Universe, severely limiting the Flame Emperor's actions.

The Flame Emperor must have infiltrated the Prima Universe and was hiding from the Universe Will in a similar manner to what the King in Yellow did during Zatiel's evolution to the Law Realm. That meant unleashing his power even for a second would break his cover and warn the entire Prima Universe of his presence.

Of course, Zatiel did not dare to relax due to that limitation, as the Flame Emperor had the power to threaten his life with a single attack. After all, a True Rank 10 life form could easily overwhelm a Fourth Evolution Extreme Rank 9 life form.

Zatiel took a deep breath as he stared at the Flame Emperor. Other than his bloodline characteristics, they were practically identical. The Alpha Universe Leader sat at the head of a small table and patiently waited for him to get closer.

The Flame Emperor saw how Zatiel sat before him and waved his hand, making two cups appear. Each of them contained a dark red liquid that seemed to be blood.

Zatiel stared at the cup for a moment and was surprised to feel a bloodline aura that surpassed a First Order Law Bloodline. It was full of chaotic energy, making it impossible to assimilate, but it could significantly improve the body.

"It belongs to a life form in the Emptiness. It was powerful but lacked any form of wisdom, so I was able to kill it after tiring it down." The Flame Emperor noticed that Zatiel did not touch the cup, but it seemed he did not mind and began to drink the blood.

Silence reigned between the duo until the Flame Emperor finally finished with his cup.

"You must have many questions, but I am sure one is more important than all the others. You wonder who is the real Incarnation of Death and Destruction, and who is the backup?"

Zatiel's eyes narrowed as he heard that, and his soul could not help but fluctuate. All his life, he considered himself the reincarnation of the Incarnation of Death and Destruction, whose goal was to take care of Abyss and Baator and end the Eldritch Universe. After that, he would reach the Alpha Universe and engage in a final battle against Endless Darkness' Will Core of Existence.

However, the Ouroboros Protocol and the rise of the Flame Emperor, with whom he shared Primordial Essence, made him question everything.

Zatiel did not answer the question, but the Flame Emperor could see the burning curiosity in the soul of this one.

"The truth is that you are a backup plan." The Flame Emperor's tone was flat, but that phrase shocked Zatiel's soul.

Despite Zatiel's monstrous willpower, the idea he was simply a pawn was not something he could just ignore. Still, that shock did not shatter his spirit, and it was not long before a silver flame erased any doubt in his heart and soul.

"It doesn't matter. I don't care about the title of Incarnation of Death and Destruction. I am Zatiel Daybreak, the Neo-Demon Ancestor and True Godking of Justice!"

When the Flame Emperor saw that silver flame in Zatiel's eyes, he began to smile.

"Good answer. Oh, and by the way, I am also a backup."

A flash of surprise and confusion appeared on Zatiel's face when he heard that. If they were both backups, does that mean a third life form was born of the Incarnation of Death and Destruction's ego?

The idea was preposterous. Luckily the Flame Emperor answered Zatiel's question immediately.

"The Incarnation of Death and Destruction divided his Will Core of Existence into two Ego Cores. One of the cores remained in the Prima Universe and got access to the Neo-Demon Realm and Final Purgatory, among many other things. You were born of that Ego Core, and your mission was to handle the Body, Soul, Omega Law, and Energy Cores of Existence from Endless Darkness.

I was born of the Ego Core sent to the Alpha Universe through the Eternal River of the Afterlife. Nothing was waiting for me there, but the Incarnation of Death and Destruction stored in me his soul force along with that of other hundreds of powerhouses, allowing me to reincarnate faster than you and at a high cultivation stage from the beginning.

My mission was to handle the most dangerous of all the Cores of Existence, the one that contained Endless Darkness' ego."

Zatiel did not bother to hide his surprise as he heard those words. Although there was a chance the Flame Emperor could be lying, everything made perfect sense.

He also noticed the way in which the Flame Emperor referred to the Incarnation of Death and Destruction as a third party.

"In case one of us perished, the soul of the other would feel it and unlock our complete memories while at the same time activating the Ouroboros Protocol.

When the King in Yellow killed you, my memories were unlocked. Final Purgatory fired a beam toward the Cosmic Wall, allowing me to connect the Alpha Universe and Prima Universe.

By the way, in case you were curious. If I perished, Final Purgatory would have also fired a beam at the Alpha Universe, but its goal would have been to retrieve as much of my soul force as possible before giving it to you.

As you can see, the Incarnation of Death and Destruction was very clever. It did not matter if one of us failed, as the other would carry on with the mission, and we blocked those memories to increase the pressure on our shoulders."

Zatiel's eyes widened as he understood just how scheming the Incarnation of Death and Destruction was. He practically made a backup of himself, giving himself a second chance in case of catastrophic failure in one of the universes.

After analyzing all the Flame Emperor's information, Zatiel's mind could not help but generate a question.

"What was the plan if the two of us survived and finished our respective missions?"

The Flame Emperor's smile grew odd as he heard that, but he did answer Zatiel's question.

"If we were alive at the end, then we were supposed to fight to the death. The winner would devour the other, and the Incarnation of Death and Destruction would become whole once again."

Chapter 843 The Flame Emperor's goal (I)

Zatiel was not surprised by that last piece of information. The Incarnation of Death and Destruction pushed the phrase cruel to your enemies and even crueler to yourself to a whole new level. It fitted someone with that personality to make those born of his ego kill each other.

The Incarnation of Death and Destruction clearly did not care about the families and friends that Zatiel and the Flame Emperor could form.

Zatiel might still have that level of cruelty if he did not meet all those people who showed him love and care during his third life.

"Then, what now?" Zatiel's eyes grew cold as he stared at the Flame Emperor. Since they were born of the same Primordial Essence and will, they could achieve a perfect fusion, but that meant one ego would override the other.

When it comes to cultivation, the Flame Emperor will gain nothing from devouring the Zatiel's existence. Still, the Alpha-Omega Samsara King Bloodline and True Name were forces that did not fall beneath True Rank 10 Cores of Existence.

The Neo-Demon Ancestor did not believe that they did not tempt the Alpha Universe Leader.

The Flame Emperor saw the coldness in Zatiel's eyes, but that did not affect his genuine smile.

"First of all, let me say that the Incarnation of Death and Destruction goal and desires are no longer of concern to me, but Endless Darkness is a threat to the multiverse.

I have finished with Endless Darkness' Will Core of Existence and even took care of the Energy Core of Existence. Although I ended the last one for my own benefit, it still counts.

You took care of the Soul Core of Existence, and I can no longer perceive the presence of the Body Core of Existence, so that one is no longer of concern.

And finally, our friend, the King in Yellow, took care of the Omega Law Core of Existence, and he and his entire universe are doomed to oblivion.

Therefore, we could finally say to have gotten rid of Endless Darkness..." The Flame Emperor made a small pause at this moment, and a somber expression replaced his smile.

"Or at least that is what I would like to say."

Zatiel frowned, and the same solemn expression appeared on his face. He did not like to praise his enemies, but he had to admit that the Flame Emperor was an incredible powerhouse.

As an entity at the Fourth Realm, the Flame Emperor had the power to bend reality to his will and travel in the Emptiness without fear. So, for something to generate dread in him, it must definitely be a threat that could obliterate a super universe.

"Our original understanding of Endless Darkness came from the memories the Incarnation of Death and Destruction stole from the Soul Core of Existence, but those only go back to the events that took place inside the Eight Epoch Prima Universe.

After devouring the Will Core of Existence, I got access to Endless Darkness' complete memories." The Flame Emperor's expression grew even more solemn, and it was clear that what he had learned was not something good.

Those words affected Zatiel, generating an invisible pressure on him. However, other than that, they also filled him with doubt.

Endless Darkness's origin, background, the one responsible for his wounds, and how he found the Prima Universe?

Those were all questions that Zatiel had but did not think he would ever get an answer to. Yet, he now had the chance to solve all of them.

The Flame Emperor clearly knew the question in Zatiel's mind since they were the same as his before overcoming Endless Darkness' Will Core of Existence.

However, this time the Alpha Universe Leader did not satiate Zatiel's curiosity but instead began to speak of something else.

"I triggered the war between our respective homes because I need a universe that can endure my strength and allow me to develop it to an even higher stage.

We will fight for our respective universe's Wills and law matrix supremacy. If I win, I will also devour your existence, which will be enough for me to handle the future threat.

And if you win, you will devour me and learn all my memories, including those concerning Endless Darkness.

Therefore I will not share anything else now since it would be pointless to do it."

The Flame Emperor spoke about their battle to death with complete calm. It wasn't clear whether he was confident in his victory or something else.

Zatiel stared at the Flame Emperor for a moment before nodding. His enemy's words made sense. What would be the point of him learning more about Endless Darkness if he was not alive after the war?

"I guess we will settle everything in the Alpha-Prima Universe."

"Hahaha, I guess you and I still share the same bad taste in names." The Flame Emperor laughed as soon as he heard the name Zatiel gave to the new universe that would come from the fusion between the Alpha Universe and Prima Universe.

Zatiel almost smiled as he heard that small joke when all of a sudden, it happened.

Rex Pravita Samsara Universalis Causalitax, Zatiel's True Name, trembled and unleashed a wave that made him feel like he was electrocuted.

As Zatiel felt his entire existence shaking, a feeling of absolute doom assaulted his heart, and for a small moment that lasted less than a blink of an eye, everything around him changed.

The smiling Flame Emperor vanished. Instead, this one's hand pierced his skull and unleashed a force that made Zatiel feel his entire existence morphed.

That scene vanished immediately, and Zatiel found himself sitting at that table completely unharmed, but he understood everything.

'An illusion!' Zatiel was currently in an illusion, and the scene he saw a moment ago was reality.

"So you found out. A Fourth Realm True Name is truly annoying. I barely touched it and reacted so fiercely."

Despite Zatiel's not saying a word, the Flame Emperor knew his illusion had finally failed, but the smile on his face grew larger as if everything was under control.

Chapter 844 The Flame Emperor's goal (II)

Space began to crack, and soon the illusion vanished, showing the Flame Emperor's hand piercing Zatiel's skull and sending a force that sought to morph this one's ego.

If the True Will were the one containing Zatiel's will, it would have been much easier for the Flame Emperor, but the one holding the ego's core was the True Name.

That was a quality only Zatiel Daybreak possessed, granted by Rex Depravita Samsara Universalis Causalitax. That is why it did not matter if his True Will, True Soul, or True Doomsday Body left him and formed Samsara Incarnations.

"I know that you will not surrender until the end, but I tell you, it is futile. I have isolated every fragment of your existence, and there is nothing you can do to stop me. It is only a matter of time before I leave your ego as a blank slate. That will mean that the moment I fuse with you, I will have 100% certainty of becoming the winner in our battle of wills."

As the Flame Emperor pronounced those words and saw the rage and hatred in Zatiel's agonizing gaze, a flash of depravity appeared in his gaze.

It was something that the Alpha Universe Leader had never shown during his interactions with the Prima Universe, not even when Venganza ruined his plans during the rise of the Alpha-Prima Universe.

"I tell you all this because there is no way you can change anything."

Zatiel's rage only grew stronger as he saw that sight, and he was furious with himself for not realizing things sooner. The instant he felt a monstrous danger at the beginning of everything must have been when the Flame Emperor pushed his mind into the illusion.

"You should not feel so bad. A Truth is a power that even De-Facto Rank 10 can barely use. Back then, when I used my Quietus Truth, I was a child wielding a large hammer. Now that I am a True Rank 10 life form, I can use that hammer like the most proficient blacksmith, showing an incredible might outside the battlefield.

I froze your instincts and your perception of danger. Even your doubts and worries were affected by the Quietus Truth."

The Flame Emperor made a slight pause at that point, and as he felt the force coming closer and closer to twisting Zatiel's ego, his smile widened, and he carried on.

"If it makes you feel better, you actually forced me to use something that Depravita did not."

Zatiel's eyes widened as, despite the agony, shock assaulted his soul. He saw a dark flame appear in the Flame Emperor's eyes.

It was similar to the power generated by his Concept Sun and equal to the one used by Sundered Night.

The Flame Emperor not only dominated the Quietus Truth but also trained the Concept Path and seemed to have developed an Eternal Flame!

The aura that the Eternal Flame generated was not equal to the Quietus Truth, meaning that the Flame Emperor had not truly entered the Fourth Realm in the Concept Path. Still, he definitely took one step into that realm!

Although it came as a shock for Zatiel, it made sense. The Incarnation of Death and Destruction knew the importance of willpower and how to master Concepts. Since Zatiel could master the Concept of Justice to the Third Realm's pinnacle, why would the Flame Emperor not do it as well?

Unlike Zatiel's Concept of Justice, which punished evil and rewarded virtue, the Flame Emperor's Concept was a force that twisted good and bad.

Under the power of that Eternal Flame, good and evil were meaningless, as the idea of them in the mind of all sentient life forms could change. Performing a genocide could be considered kindness and empathy as an act of utter cruelty.

The Flame Emperor saw the flash of enlightenment in Zatiel's eyes, and the evilness in his smile only grew stronger.

"Hahaha, despite all the pain, your mind keeps being so sharp. That is right; the Concept I use to form my Eternal Flame is no other than the Concept of Deception. I use it every day to deceive myself, showing everyone a kind ruler who only wants the best for his people.

You can not imagine how tiresome it is. I must say I appreciate moments like this, as they are the only ones where I can show myself."

The Flame Emperor's soul aura began to change as he uttered those words. Before, it was a perfect copy of Zatiel's, but now a sense of utter darkness and evilness could be found in it.

Zatiel's eyes widened as he felt that evil soul aura since it was identical to the one from the Soul Core of Existence in Nexus.

"Anyway, this is your end. There is no need to feel sad as everyone you know will join you once they become part of me."

Zatiel's wrath only increased once he heard that, but the Quietus Truth stopped him from doing anything. His body, energy, soul force, and Omega Law could do nothing against that power, but there was one that could have a chance.

Thanks to its evolution, the Sun of Justice might act once before the Quietus Truth completely shut it down. Zatiel would have less than a second, but it was enough.

The Flame Emperor's smile froze as Zatiel's True Will opened its eyes and burst with power. The Quietus Truth still sealed everything else, but the Sun of Justice was free to act for an instant.

"FUCK... YOU!" Zatiel uttered those words as the Sun of Justice went supernova!

All the power in the Concept Sun, which could burn for billions of years and whose sunlight could incinerate Rank 8 life forms, was released instantly.

The Flame Emperor's body trembled, and he puked a mouthful of blood. His seal over Zatiel's existence broke for a second, and he immediately attempted to reinstate it, but it was too late.

Zatiel took the change of his temporary freedom to send all the Prima Chaos in his Inner Universe into his Omega Law, triggering the evolution of this one and his advance into the Eternal Detachment Rank.

Chapter 845 The Flame Emperor vs the Prima Universe (I)

While Zatiel's evolution to the Eternal Detachment Rank would exponentially improve the strength of his soul force and Omega Law, they would not be enough to overcome the Flame Emperor.

Zatiel knew that he could not equal a True Rank 10 life form after evolving to Rank 9, but the evolution of his True Soul Path of Power meant that his Omega Law would fuse with the law matrix.

And during that fusion, there would be one entity that would focus all its attention on him.

The Flame Emperor restored the seal over Zatiel's existence in less than a second. Nevertheless, his face still showed immense rage as he looked to the void and felt the presence of the only entity in the Prima Universe that could suppress him.

"AHHHHH!" A roar of absolute fury echoed in the void as the Universe Will detected the presence of the Alpha Universe Leader inside the Prima Universe.

Facing a True Rank 10 alien life form, the Universe Will endured no restriction at all and could use the full power of the Prima Universe to fight against the intruder.

A gravitational force that could crush a Rank 9 life form to a pulp landed in the Flame Emperor, and the power in it was so monstrous that the world beneath his feet exploded.

"¡BOOM!"

The Flame Emperor still endured the backlash produced by Zatiel's sudden rise in soul force, so the gravitational force made him puke even more blood. Still, despite the world beneath his feet shattering to pieces, he did not let go of his target, and his right hand kept piercing Zatiel's skull.

The Flame Emperor only needed a few more uninterrupted minutes and would finish with Zatiel's ego, but that was impossible.

En appeared less than a second after the Universe Will unleashed all its suppressing power on the Flame Emperor. He was in his humanoid form, and his entire existence burned with killing intent as he waved his sword down.

A torrent of violet flames emerged from En's sword, crashing down on the Flame Emperor. Its power was something even a Fourth Evolution Extreme Rank 9 would dread since it contained all the energy he managed to gather from the broken pieces of Abyss.

Originally En intended to use it as a trump card against Chrollo, but he was ready to sacrifice his life to save Zatiel, so how would he hide anything?

The Flame Emperor's eyes grew cold as he raised his left hand and stopped the torrent of violet flames!

That attack would have been enough to destroy a Principal World, but the Flame Emperor managed to stop it with a single hand while enduring the suppression of the Universe Will.

A True Rank 10 life form was just in a different league, and their power was something those beneath the Fourth Realm would find almost impossible to match.

If En was alone, there was nothing he could do to stop the Flame Emperor, but he wasn't. The Immortal Primarch and the Magus Primarch appeared shortly after the World Tree, and they immediately burned their life force before firing their strongest attack.

Salomon had become a Third Evolution Extreme Rank 9 life form, and Issac reached the Peak Second Evolution, so the power they displayed was much greater than the last time they faced the Flame Emperor.

A beam of milky white sword light and golden energy fused with violet flames, increasing the destructive power of this one immensely.

The Flame Emperor frowned due to the power, but he still endured the combined attack of the three Extreme Rank 9 life forms.

A new warrior arrived less than a second after Salomon and Issac fired their attack. To the surprise of the Prima Universe's warriors, the newcomer was not a Justice Primarch but the Supreme Neo-Demon.

Ezequiel's eyes burned with rage as he saw the Flame Emperor's hand piercing Zatiel's skull. He unleashed every iota of power in his existence, making Eight Suns of Origin appear around his forehead, and seven Astral Black Holes shine across his body.

Not only did his Emptiness Path of Power enter Rank 9, but so did his True Doomsday Body Path of Power, and the force contained in the Seventh Astral Black Hole seemed at a level that surpassed the Prima Universe's limit.

Pan Gu's phantom emerged behind the Supreme Neo-Demon as he pointed his left hand toward the Flame Emperor and charged in it every ounce of power he had.

During the short period of time that Ezequiel took to charge his attack, the Titan Primarch and Dragon Primarch arrived. Both were surprised that the Supreme Neo-Demon appeared before them but got rid of all those unnecessary thoughts and unleashed all the power of their First Evolution Extreme Rank 9 cultivation.

A black-white lightning cannon, a golden fist print, and a multicolored dragon breath emerged from the trio and fused with the attacks of En, Salomon, and Issac.

Even True Rank 10 life forms had a limit, and the combined might of En, Salomon, Issac, Ezequiel, Hyperion, and Bahamut managed to surpass that of the Flame Emperor.

The Alpha Universe Leader could not endure the combined attack of the six with just his left hand, but before the blast sent him flying away, he used part of his soul to generate a gray domain around Zatiel.

Ezequiel and the Justice Primarchs saw the attack sending the Flame Emperor away from Zatiel, and their first instinct was to dash toward this one to save him, but En stopped them.

The World Tree would not hesitate to give his life for Zatiel, but he could feel the power of that gray domain. It would take a long time for them to break it apart, and the slightest lack of concentration in this battle would mean death.

En saw how the gray flames invaded Zatiel's body and how this one fought against them. Anger appeared on his face due to his weakness, but the only thing he could do right now was hope the Neo-Demon Ancestor would use the power of his evolution to overcome the flames.

The Flame Emperor regained control over his body immediately. His eyes glowed as the Eternal Flame of Deception was about to hide his true nature, but at the last second, he chose not to.

A monstrously evil soul aura emerged from the Flame Emperor as he stared at those that dared to stand in his way.

Chapter 847 The Flame Emperor vs the Prima Universe (III)

En appeared by Ezequiel's side and used his Endless Growth Omega Law to heal this one. The Justice Primarchs and Ragnar also regrouped around the Supreme Neo-Demon, and they all focused on the woman that managed to stop the Quietus Sun.

The Supreme Neo-Demon and the Viking showed immense shock once they saw the woman's face.

"Yami!"

"Heavenly Empress!"

Ezequiel and Ragnar uttered those words in unison as they stared at the valiant woman facing the Flame Emperor.

Yami's growth had always been slow; even after thousands of years, she looked no older than twenty years old. However, her mischievous behavior had vanished, and she now resembled a leader capable of guiding an entire universe.

Even more shocking was her aura that put her cultivation at Peak Fourth Evolution Extreme Rank 9. Due to the mutated ten Silver Stars of Origin, her physical might surpassed the World Tree's by a large margin!

Ragnar could not believe his eyes. He was sure that the Heavenly Empress had perished during the Alpha Dominance War, but it seemed that she managed to survive and end up in the Prima Universe just like him.

Yami glanced at the duo and gave them a nod before focusing on the Flame Emperor. Her power exploded, generating a silver aura that coated her entire body.

"Follow me!" Yami shouted those words before flashing to the Flame Emperor. As if they were a magic spell, nine of the strongest warriors of the Prima Universe followed her without hesitation and were full of killing intent.

The Flame Emperor's eyes burned with rage, and his Quietus Truth flooded the void as he charged against those that dared to defy him.

"¡BOOM!"

"¡BOOM!"

"¡BOOM!"

Once again, explosions echoed through the void with even greater power than before.

Yami took the Flame Emperor's blows head-on, taking the role of En as the vanguard. That allowed the World Tree to channel his Omega Law into the bodies and spells of the Prima Universe's warriors, improving their destructive power.

It was truly a battle that defied reason. Each of them moved at speed almost impossible to fathom, unleashing cosmic forces that engraved all sorts of wonderful phenomena in the void.

A minute into the fight, the Flame Emperor received the first wound since he began his fight against the Prima Universe's warriors. A small cut appeared on his chest as En's sword managed to cut him due to Yami's distracting him.

It was a truly small cut and healed almost instantly, but it was enough to ignite the fighting spirit of the Prima Universe's warriors.

If you can make your enemy bleed, then you can kill him!

The Flame Emperor was doing his best to face Yami and the others under the suppression of the Universe Will when he felt three more enemies arriving.

One was a woman with powerful bloodline energy, another a man bathed in a red aura that carried the power of Astral Chaos, and the last had ten wings and a blue cosmic force that seemed capable of shattering any obstacle in its path.

Ivar, Eve, and Apex unleashed a combined attack. The Flawless channeled all his power into Ars Goetia before firing it forward, while the Holy Mother and the Fallen Leader channeled their cosmic forces into it.

The attack manifested as a blood tornado reinforced by a blue aura that could match the destructive power of a Primarch!

The Flame Emperor countered the blood tornado easily with his left hand, but that generated an opening that Yami did not miss. Before he could block it, a palm strike landed in his chest, right on top of his heart.

Yami's attack showed an incredible level of martial skill, as its force managed to pierce the Flame Emperor's flesh and magic defenses, reaching the heart and freezing the blood flow.

The Flame Emperor's reaction speed slowed down for an instant, allowing Yami and the others to bombard him with their most potent attacks.

The Prima Universe's warriors did not hesitate to burn their souls and life force to take full advantage of this opportunity.

"BOOOOOOOOOOMMMMMM!"

Explosive energies of all colors drowned the Flame Emperor. The explosion only grew stronger as Rank 9 powerhouses from all over the Prima Universe arrived and immediately unleashed their most destructive spells.

That destruction would have been enough to obliterate Abyss or Baator, and the Flame Emperor was at the core of the explosion.

The Flame Emperor's rage reached its zenith as blast after blast clashed with him. He was a True Rank 10 life form, an entity that not even an Epoch Explosion could kill, and who could explore the Emptiness and invade other universes. How could he allow a bunch of insects to put him in that position?

"Insignificant garbage!" The Flame Emperor roared as he burned part of his vitality to fight against the Universe Will's suppression before unleashing gray shock waves that shattered everything around him.

Those shock waves were so powerful that they sent the weak Rank 9 powerhouses flying away while puking blood. Luckily they were far from the Flame Emperor, or else many of them would have perished.

Even Yami and En could not overcome the shock waves' force and could not get near the Flame Emperor.

"I will kill you all!" The Flame Emperor's white flames blasted in every direction as he stared at the Prima Universe warriors with unrestrained slaughter intent.

"CRACK!"

Just as the Flame Emperor was ready to dash into the Prima Universe's warriors and kill them one by one, a white stream of light shattered the shock waves on its path and appeared in front of him.

The white stream of light was a man with twelve wings and a power that could sunder a universe. He was burning his soul and life force without restraint as his spear clashed with the Flame Emperor's chest.

Shock appeared in the Flame Emperor's eyes as he saw the Champion of Chaos and Order and felt the power of Truth in that spear.

Lucifer managed to devour the Body Core of Existence's essence and become a De-Facto Rank 10 life form!

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Lucifer drove forward his weapon with all his strength, making him and the Flame Emperor vanish into the distance at speed not even Fourth Evolution Extreme Rank 9 life form could match.

The Flame Emperor immediately held onto the spear, stopping it from pushing deeper into his body and reaching his heart. He could not hide the shock in his eyes as he felt the power the Champion of Justice and Order achieved after obtaining a Truth.

"Quietus Truth!" He shouted with all his strength as the power of his Truth blasted toward Lucifer. Even for someone with his cultivation, losing his heart was not something trivial.

As a True Rank 10 life form, the Flame Emperor's control over his Truth was much greater than that of a De-Facto Rank 10, which is why he should be able to overwhelm Lucifer easily.

Unfortunately for the Flame Emperor, things didn't go as he expected. The gray domain of the Quietus Truth could not surpass Lucifer's defenses!

The Quietus Truth was a power that deprived everything of its motion and energy. It pushed existence to a state of absolute inertia where any form of life would cease to exist as particles split apart.

However, Lucifer's Truth was the absolute opposite of Quietus. It was a power that sought to promote dynamism without end, to push forward despite everything, and incite all emotions and any aspect of existence to a state of absolute extasis.

"Unyielding Truth!" Lucifer shouted with all his strength as he pushed his spear forward with more and more force. He was bleeding from every orifice on his face, practically burning his existence in this attack.

Even if he knew that killing the Flame Emperor was not possible for him, as long as he could harm the Flame Emperor and buy more time for others to improve, he was more than willing to give his life!

Lucifer's Unyielding Truth was the perfect counter for the Flame Emperor's Quietus Truth, allowing him to break through it despite having a lower proficiency.

The Flame Emperor's face twisted with rage as he felt the spear getting closer and closer to his heart. He was ready to burn his soul to get rid of it when his eyes widened as he detected a monstrous gathering of energy ahead of them.

A fluctuation in space-time happened as the illusion of a man in noble's clothes with a crow mask appeared. Anyone that focused on him would not see a humanoid but a realm with hundreds of worlds and a majestic white sun as the core.

Hades' eyes were piercing cold as he stared at the Flame Emperor and fired the spell that contained the full power of the Neo-Demon Realm!

"Neo-Underworld Realm: Graveyard of Thearchs!"

As soon as Hades uttered those words, all the Neo-Demon Realm's Low Worlds and Middle Worlds vaporized as Hades drained every iota of energy in them.

That would harm the Neo-Demon Realm, but Hades did not hesitate to pay that price for the chance to fire a Rank 10 spell!

A giant bone gate larger than Abyss with billions of howling faces emerged in the duo's path. Due to their speed, the Flame Emperor clashed with it in less than a second.

"BOOOOMMMMMMM!" The collision generated shock waves that obliterated the law matrix around them.

Lucifer and the Flame Emperor's momentum would have allowed them to pierce a Principal World easily, but the gate endured.

The Flame Emperor not only felt his back almost break, but the sudden stop allowed Lucifer's spear to pierce even deeper into his chest. If that was not enough, ghostly hands emerged from the bone gate and began to grab his body.

If the Flame Emperor were an Extreme Rank 9 life form, those bone hands would have drained his vitality in less than ten seconds. Even if his life force could endure, they depleted his strength, making it even harder to resist the spear.

Lucifer's eyes burned with monstrous killing intent, and he showed a bloody smile as he pushed the spear forward. There was nothing that he would not be willing to sacrifice just to drive his weapon a few centimeters deeper!

The Flame Emperor clenched his teeth as he felt the point of the spear touching the surface of his heart. His entire existence harmonized with the Quietus Truth, so if the Unyielding Truth were to enter his bloodstream, he might lose his body!

"DAMMIT!" He roared with pure rage as the Eternal Flame of Deception appeared in his eyes.

"Deceitful Reincarnation!"

The Flame Emperor just uttered those words before Lucifer's spear pierced his heart, and the power of the Unyielding Truth flooded his entire body.

Lucifer did not hesitate before making the power of his Unyielding Truth explode inside the Flame Emperor's heart. The blast was so strong that the body of this one burst into thousands of pieces.

Just as a smile was about to emerge on the Champion of Justice and Order's face, he saw how the pieces of the Flame Emperor melted into white flames.

Before Lucifer could even process what was happening, those flames gathered in the distance, forming an intact Flame Emperor!

Lucifer had burned his existence and sacrificed his immortal lifespan for that attack, yet the Flame Emperor seemed completely fine. That sight would have crushed anyone else's spirit, but eons of pain had forged Lucifer's will, allowing him to keep a cold head.

He saw how the Eternal Flame in the Flame Emperor's eyes grew incredibly weak, and not just that. The vitality and soul force of this one suffered a severe decline.

The Flame Emperor did not hide the immense wrath burning in his soul as he stared at the Champion of Justice and Order. He knew the tremendous price of using Deceitful Reincarnation and wanted nothing more than to rip Lucifer to pieces.

Unfortunately, the Prima Universe's warriors were already on their way and would not be wise to keep fighting in his condition.

After one final glance, the Flame Emperor turned around and flashed to the Alpha-Prima Universe. There he would suffer no suppression, allowing his battle power to grow four times larger.

A second after the Flame Emperor left, En and Yami appeared next to Lucifer. The World Tree used his Omega Law to heal the Champion of Justice and Order and stabilize the erratic life force of this one.

The Heavenly Empress and the World Tree were able to see the clash between Lucifer and the Flame Emperor. Although they were a little disappointed by the outcome, considering that they were facing a True Rank 10 life form and none of them perished, everything turned out excellent.

The Flame Emperor faced the full power of the Prima Universe and was forced to run away!

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En did not hesitate to use the full power of his Endless Growth Omega Law on Lucifer. Although he managed to calm the erratic life force of this one, a somber expression appeared on his face as he detected that no matter what he did, Lucifer's vitality kept growing weaker.

The World Tree's Omega Law could, at most, slow down the speed at which Lucifer's life force depleted, but in the best-case scenario, it would not last more than one hundred years.

"It's okay. I knew this would happen, but I have no problem with it. Had I not attacked with everything I had from the beginning, I would have at most left some superficial wounds on the Flame Emperor. My eternal lifespan in exchange for stripping him from his life-saving technique

is more than fair." Lucifer showed a radiant smile, and it was clear he had no regrets. Having enough life to fight in the Ultimate Multiversal War was all he cared about.

"I must say that the Prima Universe's warriors never stop impressing me. Your convictions certainly match your outrageous talents. You have my undying respect, Champion of Justice and Order." Yami's voice had an angelic tone but also an imposing might.

Lucifer and En turned toward Yami, and neither could hide the curiosity in their eyes. It was clear to them that she and the Flame Emperor had some history. However, since she was an acquaintance with the Supreme Neo-Demon and fought by their side, they decided to trust her.

Lucifer was about to return Yami's kind words when his eyes widened, and he focused on the distance. A large smile appeared on his face, along with killing intent.

"Haha, you finally showed up. Well, I guess it is better late than never."

En and Yami were confused by those words, but then they felt it and showed a smile full of killing intent, just like Lucifer.

The Flame Emperor advanced at a shocking speed and the Alpha-Prima Universe had already appeared in his sight when his instincts began to scream danger like crazy.

The number of life forms that could generate that feeling of doom on the Flame Emperor could be counted with the fingers of one hand, and the one that originated it this time was the worst of all.

"Where are you going so fast!?" A voice that could freeze the laws and Concepts echoed through the void as a humanoid with an appearance shockingly similar to the Flame Emperor appeared.

The Flame Emperor saw Venganza and a hateful expression appeared on his face as he saw the three eyes on the Depravita of Revenge's forehead. Each of them had immense power and connected to a different Concept that the members of Sundered Night developed to the absolute peak of the Third Realm.

Venganza's red, silver, and golden eyes burst with power as he made a large weapon appear. It had the form of a halberd, but the most shocking thing was that it unleashed an aura at the Fourth Realm!

Upon a closer look, the weapon was made purely of bones with dark metallic scales.

The Flame Emperor's expression grew even worse as he saw that weapon. He knew there was no one in the known multiverse capable of creating a Fourth Realm Artifact, so Venganza must have obtained it from the corpse of a Rank 10 Emptiness Creature!

Venganza's power exploded as the Eternal Flame of Hope, and Eternal Flame of Revenge coated the weapon and struck forward with every iota of strength he had.

An arc of mighty and compacted flames emerged from the weapon and landed on the Flame Emperor's back, leaving a searing cut that reached all the way to the bone!

"AHHH!" The Flame Emperor cried due to the immense pain as that attack harmed not only his body but also his soul. Still, he clenched his teeth and drove forward, finally leaving the Prima Universe.

As soon as the Flame Emperor left the Prima Universe and no longer had to endure the Universe Will's suppression, his power rose almost five times. He turned around and glanced at the Depravita of Revenge with pure hatred and killing intent.

"Damm aberration. I will enslave your kind for eternity after I win this war!"

Venganza showed a mocking smile toward the Flame Emperor. Other than the members of Sundered Night, he did not care about any Depravita. Not to mention that now that he had the power to travel through the Emptiness, there was no reason to fear the Ultimate Multiversal War's outcome.

Still, killing intent burned in Vengaza's eyes as he contemplated entering the Alpha-Prima Universe to test the Flame Emperor's strength.

In the end, the Depravita of Revenge chose against it. He had yet to enter the Fourth Realm, so there was no way he could win against a full-power Flame Emperor alone.

And there were also the ten thousand Primordials that had just marched into the Alpha-Prima Universe and would not hesitate to give their life for their leader.

Venganza gave one last glance to the Flame Emperor and the Emyrean Primordials before turning around and flying away.

The bulk of the Primordial Legion adopted a formation in the distance, but the Emyrean Primordials got closer to the Flame Emperor. Chrollo and the others could not help but show shock as they saw the unrestrained fury in their leader.

For the Alpha Universe, the Flame Emperor was an omnipotent entity whose minds and emotions could never get out of control and knew nothing but peace. The fact that any form of tribulation could affect him was unthinkable.

The Flame Emperor glanced at the Emyrean Primordials, but unlike his usual kindness, there was a coldness in his eyes. However, before anyone could detect it, the Eternal Flame of Deception acted, hiding his true nature and granting him his peaceful aura back.

He rose to the sky and unleashed his soul force, impregnating it in the firmament.

"Fuse your soul force into the earth. We will fuse our nature in this new universe!"

Chrollo and the rest of the Emyrean Primordials immediately understood the Flame Emperor's plans.

The Alpha-Prima Universe had already grown powerful enough to show the first signs of a Universe Will. If they send their soul force into this one, then after a few decades, it will recognize them as their native population.

There was no way the Prima Universe would allow that, so the actions of the Flame Emperor declared the end of peace and marked the beginning of the Ultimate Multiversal War!

Chapter 850 Set Your Souls Ablaze!

Venganza did not vanish after attacking the Flame Emperor but instead went to where the strongest warriors of the Prima Universe gathered.

His arrival certainly drew people's attention, but other than a short nod, no one focused too much on him. Venganza did not care about pleasantries and saw them all around a gray domain with anxious expressions on their faces.

Inside that domain was Zatiel, in utter agony as flames invaded every part of his body and soul, trying to achieve the greatest level of destruction possible in the shortest amount of time.

Initially, the goal of the power left in the domain by the Flame Emperor was to purge Zatiel's ego. Still, once the Prima Universe's warriors forced him to escape, he sent an order, changing the domain's purpose.

The only reason Zatiel remained alive was due to the evolution of his soul force and life force after his advance to Rank 9 in the True Soul Path of Power, but even then, he would not last long.

Lucifer had the power of the Fourth Realm, but his control over the Unyielding Truth was too crude. He could certainly destroy the domain holding Zatiel, but using brute force was not wise.

"Allow me." The Depravita of Revenge flew toward Zatiel as the Eternal Flame of Revenge manifested.

Everybody focused on Venganza, and they immediately moved away. Unlike Lucifer, the Depravita of Revenge reached Fourth Realm's battle power thanks to his own effort.

Although Sundered Night did not master Truths, they had Eternal Flames under their control, and those were equally powerful.

Venganza touched the domain, and immediately his Eternal Flame of Revenge began to consume it. And it did not stop on the outside, as the dark flame with a red nucleus flowed inside Zatiel, destroying the force that invaded the flesh and Inner Universe of this one.

It took less than ten seconds for Venganza to erase any trace of the domain left by the Flame Emperor. That was not a feat of raw strength but incredible mastery over his Fourth Realm's power.

Seeing the Flame Emperor's domain vanish did not bring happiness to the Prima Universe's warriors due to Zatiel's condition. The Neo-Demon Ancestor looked like a mummified corpse with no vitality whatsoever, and his soul force entered a state of complete immobility, essentially throwing him into a deep coma.

En and Lucifer immediately approached Zatiel and channeled their Unyielding Truth and Endless Growth Omega Law into this one. Those two forces could bring an Extreme Rank 9 life form back from death, but the damage that the Quietus Truth caused seemed irreparable.

Venganza's eyes narrowed when he saw that the Champion of Justice and Order and the World Tree could not help Zatiel. He opened his mouth, making a drop of blood emerge before sending dark flames into it.

In a moment, a dark sun whose radiation extended for countless lightyears emerged in the void. Anyone near it felt how their minds grew calm, and its warmth filled them with vitality and hope.

"Sun of Hope." The Depravita of Revenge sent the sun forward, making it fuse with Zatiel's paralyzed heart.

The Sun of Hope reached Zatiel's heart before using it as a core and spreading its flames all over his body, going all the way to the Inner Universe.

"Bump." A weak heartbeat echoed through the void, and Zatiel's soul force regained its activity.

Zatiel slowly opened his eyes, and once he regained his ability to think, the first thing he did was analyze his condition. What he learned could not be worse.

He lost his Concept Sun after triggering this one's supernova, essentially crippling his True Will Path of Power. But the awful news was that the Quietus Truth had corrupted his body and soul, freezing his life force and soul force. Any other Rank 9 life form would have died already.

Zatiel was unique in that his soul force was greater than others thanks to the uniqueness of his Inner Universe, and his life force higher thanks to the Primordial Body Incarnation. If they were to split apart, they would both perish immediately.

Nevertheless, all that only delayed his death. The Sun of Hope could grant him a few days at most before he sunk back into a coma. After that, his soul force would deplete until nothing remained of him.

As Zatiel saw the expression of the people around him, he felt conflicted. He was not the strongest, but they all saw in him their leader. He was supposed to guide them into this war, yet now he could barely remain awake.

The small victory against the Flame Imperator, in which they forced this one to escape with the tail between his legs, kept their fighting will going. Still, that was far from enough if they wanted to win the Ultimate Multiversal War.

Zatiel closed his eyes for a moment before taking a deep breath, and when he opened them again, the only thing everybody could see was willpower that would never stop burning.

"The first time I perished, I was nothing but a mortal man. That was supposed to be the end of my existence, but I prevailed and became the Incarnation of Death and Destruction, the first Prima Universe's life form to harvest the power of the Fourth Realm!

The second time I returned from the Eternal River of the Afterlife, I obtained a destiny that could allow me to glimpse the Fourth Realm without outside help, earning the title of Lord of Beginning and End!

And when the Eldritch Universe King fossilized my entire existence, I achieved my samsara reincarnation and came back with the power of the Fourth Realm engraved in my veins and soul!

Many had wanted to end my existence, but they all failed, and the Flame Imperator will not be different. I will overcome this tribulation and become even stronger!

I only ask you one thing."

Zatiel paused at this moment, and silence reigned as everybody waited for him.

"Set your souls ablaze with your willpower and fight for the Prima Universe!"