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Chapter 1081 A Demon!

Grey felt reassured after Void's words and started to prepare. He still needed to make sure he created an array to complement Void's domain, this would make it safer for him.

When he completed this, he looked at his body once again.

'My body has gotten to the Peak, so has my cultivation stage. I should be the only one who cultivates both and still cultivate this fast.' He sighed with emotions.

It hadn't even been up to ten years since he started cultivating, yet he was already getting closer to the Peak of the world.

The Elemental Venerable Plane, and then the Elemental Sovereign Plane. Once he breaks through now, he would become a Venerable. Venerables are highly regarded in any place. Even his Faction would have to start treating him in a different manner.

He could even vie for an Elder's position in the Faction, and with his strength, he has a high chance of winning. Of course, he didn't have such plans. Being an Elder means he would have to teach some of the lower ranked members of the Faction. He didn't think he had such spare time.

'It's like a dream.' He pinched himself.

After getting lost in thoughts for a while, he snapped back to reality and focused on the matter at hand, breaking through to the Elemental Venerable Plane.

Just like the other Planes, it has to do with the transformation of his elemental cores. When he broke through to the Sage Plane, his cores entered a somewhat chaotic state. Now, as he advances in Planes, there would be divisions and each elemental core would have its own part in his body. He would also develop his origin source as well.

Grey closed his eyes and soon entered a cultivation state.

His consciousness drifted into the Chaos Space. As time went on, he rarely spent time here. He had been too busy with so many things that he started to forget this place, the place where his journey started.

Even though he occasionally came here to comprehend the elements, it was once in a while.

He walked around with mixed feelings. After getting to the peak of the mountain, he sat down cross-legged, just like what he was doing with his real body, he closed his eyes and started to meditate.

Inside his body, his chaotic essence started to separate. While this was happening, Grey noticed something odd. His chaotic essence that started to separate all seeped into the Chaos Space and started to merge with it.

It was a shocking scene.

His previously closed eyes opened wide as he looked at the scene before him. He couldn't believe what was happening.

Naturally, with the advancement, his separated essence would all be in his body. There was no way he would be able to connect with the origin source if his essence entered this place.

Thinking of this, he decided to check things out to confirm if he wasn't sensing it wrong.

When he sensed the situation with his body, he couldn't help but give a wry smile. It was really happening.

But it didn't make sense to him. His essence was supposed to be in his body, not this consciousness space.

'Will I be able to access it if it enters here?' He panicked. But the process had already started, so there was nothing he could do.

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While Grey was freaking out. In the outside world. Void was staring at Grey so hard that his eyes bulged. 'What's wrong with him?' He was worried. Naturally, as an Elementalist breaks through, their aura is supposed to increase. But in Grey's case, his aura was declining, at a rapid speed at that. If not for the fact that he could tell that Grey was alive, he would've thought that he was dying. 'What the hell is wrong with him?' He complained. He watched Grey vigilantly, seriously observing his situation. If he notices that there's any issues with his life force, he would forcefully wake him up. He couldn't take any gambles, not with Grey. Time went on and Grey's aura soon vanished. Other than the fact that he was alive, it was almost like he wasn't there. It was a strange situation. Some moment later, a lightning struck from the sky, aiming for Grey's head. Grey, whose eyes had been previously closed opened and he jumped into the air. Void was startled but he still looked shocked. 'Humans don't need to face a test from the Origins. Only Magical Beasts who want to defy nature are tested.' Void was once again thrown off his feet. He didn't even see Grey form a link with the origin source, yet, he seemed to have successfully broken through to the Elemental Venerable Plane. His only worry was that Grey seemed to have attracted the attention of the Origin.

The Origin here refers to the start of all things. All elements are birthed from the Origin. It could be said to be their heavens.
When he was also breaking through, he experienced something like this as well. But the reaction to Grey's breakthrough was stronger than his own.
After Grey leapt into the air, he threw a punch at the lightning that was falling down. And the lightning fell apart.
Void watched as Grey was soon bathed in lightning. Before long, Grey's figure appeared, another shocking scene followed suit.
Looking at Grey's figure, Void's mouth opened wide.
'Scales? Why the hell does he have scales?!' He exclaimed internally.
'Dragon scales.' Void soon came to a realization when he saw Grey.
He could sense the slight Dragon pressure that was coming out of Grey's body.
'No wonder there's such a reaction.'
While he was still lost in thoughts, Grey's excited laughter rang through the place.
"Haha, so this is how it feels!" He laughed in pleasure and vanished.
Void was still confused when he heard a loud 'boom!'

Turning his head to look, he realized Grey had started fighting with one of the Magical Beasts in the forest. This Magical Beast was already in the Third stage of the Seventh Rank, but it was quickly suppressed by Grey as the battle started.

The Dragon's aura was showing its effect now. With his superior bloodline, he could suppress the Magical Beasts in the same stage without any worry. Void was also the same.

Boom! Bang!

He punched the large body of the Lion, and it crashed into the ground. The Lion's thick defensive skin was broken, and injuries were all over its body.

Grey wasn't unscathed, he was bleeding and a large claw mark was on his back. But he was laughing in exhilaration.

"Come again!" He screamed and charged at the Lion.

It had been a long time since he felt this way while fighting. With every injury, he would use the light element to heal himself as he rushed after the Lion.

He didn't need any origin source, the origin source was within his body. It was a shocking thing. He never expected such a development.

Unlike others who would need to link with the origin source of the world, he didn't do that. It was like in the Chaos Space, there was already an origin source, and from how it quickly absorbed his essence, it was clear to see that it didn't want it to be diluted with the origin source of the Aurora Continent.

This was not the only reason why Grey was excited, the main reason was because of this....

Grey opened his mouth wide and a large stream of ice shot out. It was like a blizzard as it was released from his mouth.

"Haha, an Ice Dragon's innate ability." He laughed as he spread out his hands.

A snow storm started as well. With the blizzard that seemed to come out of his mouth, adding the snow storm to it, it released a shocking cold.

The Lion roared in fear and spat out a core. The core rotated before a cyclone started.

It used the cyclone to protect itself from Grey's blizzard attack and with a shake of its body, it shot out from the range. Without even thinking twice, it ran away without looking back.

It was frightened! It couldn't believe that the person it was fighting against was a human. There was no way a human would be so demonic.

First off, Grey had scales, then he radiated a true Dragon's pressure, and now he even had an innate skill as well.

A demon!

This was the only thing on the Lion's mind, Grey was a demon!

"You're lucky I'm in a good mood." Grey laughed and went back to where Void's was located.

The other powerful Magical Beasts in the area sent their spiritual senses to check on what was happening, seeing how Grey was able to beat up the Lion, they retracted their senses and didn't dare to offend the human.

Only a few who were in the Late stages of the Seventh Rank didn't show fear. No matter how strong Grey was, he just broke through, and wouldn't be their match.

Chapter 1082 Grey's Third Domain

"Three domains?" Void muttered as Grey came over.

"Yeah, I didn't expect it either." Grey laughed in delight.

He didn't expect that he would actually awaken the innate ability of an Ice Dragon. One has to know that since he awakens this ability, it would improve his domain. Since he hadn't awakened his water domain yet, he directly awoke it after breaking through.

He even gained a special Dragon form as well. It could be said that his luck when it came to this was beyond frightening.

"That's just oppressing." Void couldn't help but complain.

Grey gained so many abilities from a top Magical Beast bloodline, even Void was jealous of him. He didn't think there would be such a freak among humans. Even with how freakish Grey was before, he was still a human. But now, he didn't even know how to classify him.

Grey laughed when he saw Void's dissatisfied expression.

"Let's go search for a few people." He suggested.

He wanted to train more, but there was no use in rushing back to the Faction so soon. He still had a few people he wanted to see. For instance, he hadn't seen Kyle since he came back, since they were around the same region, there was no harm in paying him a visit.

Besides, Klaus and the others were probably busy cultivating. Even if Kyle was cultivating, he could still call him out without any remorse.

Void didn't argue with him as they left.

"I didn't see you form any connection with the Origin Source." He brought up the issue that he found most confusing with Grey's breakthrough.

"Oh that, it's actually quite complicated. But I did form a connection with the Origin Source. Well, another Origin Source." Grey paused and explained. He didn't really know how to explain it, but he could only say this. Even he didn't have any understanding of what happened.

The core in his body was a mysterious item, and there was nothing he could do about it. It had dominantly absorbed his cores and essence into a somewhat spiritual world and it created a link to the Origin Source from that place. Even if Grey wanted to, there was nothing he could do.

The only good thing was that he could still access his powers. There seems to be a little difference when he uses elemental skills now. Each of his elements seemed to have an archaic feeling, he couldn't put his hands on it, but that was just the feeling he got whenever using them since his breakthrough.

He noticed it when fighting with the Lion, and even now that he used the space element, he noticed that the spatial tunnel he opened up was far stronger than what he previously opened. At first, he felt it was due to the increase in his strength, but recalling the spatial tunnels some Elemental Sovereigns had opened up that he had used before, he knew there was a large difference.

'Hmm, I wonder where this orb came from. The God Plane?' He was lost in thoughts.

With the increase in his strength, he was starting to understand a few things. First off, there were no Gods in the Aurora Continent. In the history of the Continent, there are records of Gods, but thousands of years ago, there doesn't seem to be any record of Gods.

Although he hadn't spoken much with his parents, he asked a few things about the Elemental Planes. He also knew that in the Elemental Sovereign Plane, there was a large difference in the strength of everyone. According to his father, it was largely related to an Elementalist's understanding of his elements.

Void looked at Grey strangely, but stopped asking about it. Since Grey couldn't explain it, it meant that he really didn't know. Of everyone, it could be said that Void was the one Grey trusted the most, and he would rarely keep secrets from him. Since Grey didn't speak of it, he didn't know about it.

They continued their journey.



Kyle was a little taken aback by Grey's words, he couldn't help but look at Grey, "You're quite talkative today."

Grey chuckled but didn't say anything.

After heading to Kyle's place. They spoke for a while before Grey asked about the general situation of the region. He hadn't really taken his time to know much about the region.

All he had done was travel, cultivate, fight, and repeat. He had been pretty much doing exactly the same thing since he came to the Aurora Continent. Now that he had gotten to the Elemental Venerable Plane, he wanted to know more things.

He had come in contact with a few people, but he still didn't know too much. Kyle was someone who knew a lot since he had been here since he was born.

Kyle was surprised, but he still told him about the things he knew. All the forces in the Region, the ones he should be wary of, and all the basic things.

Chapter 1083 Ruins Of The Last True God

"You're saying there are some Factions that are hidden?" Grey asked after listening to Kyle's words.

Kyle nodded, "Actually, after the great war, most of the top powerhouses were seriously injured. So they're currently slumbering, recuperating. Some of them have woken up, while others are still keeping their strength. If you hadn't been running around all this while, you would've known of all this."

"The Pyrmond Faction was one of the top forces who fought against the invasion at that time. They were also one of the ones who suffered serious damages."

"According to what my father told me, they were almost annihilated. The current top faction really isn't the strongest, it's only called that in name."

Grey listened attentively. He didn't expect Kyle would know this much about the history. Although he had also read some things, most of the information was vague and he didn't really get much from it. Other than knowing the general things that were allowed to the public, he didn't know too much.

"Have you heard of the Heavenly Fate Faction?" Kyle asked out of the blue. "I've heard of it, but I don't really know much about it." Grey nodded. Although he didn't know much, the Heavenly Fate Faction could be said to be one of the top Factions not just in the Western Continent, but in the entire Aurora Continent. "I was preparing to make a trip there. According to what I heard, something happened and since my Family has some connections with them, they said the younger generations could be sent over." Kyle said. Hearing this, Grey knew that the reason Kyle was telling him was most likely so he would go with him. Kyle was still in the Sage Plane. "Would they allow a stranger to go with you?" Grey raised the question in his head. He wouldn't mind going there, it wasn't like he wasn't interested in things like this. "I can think of a way." Kyle said. Grey gave it some thought and nodded, if they allowed him to go with them. Then he wouldn't mind going. If not, he would just take it that his time outside was up and he would head back to the Faction. The duo discussed for a while longer before Kyle left Grey to speak with a few people. Sometime later, he came back with good news, Grey could go with them. It was a little out of his expectations, but he couldn't hide his joy. Grey didn't say much. He was quite curious as to why they would allow a stranger to go with them.

The days went by and it was soon time to leave.

While Grey had been staying here, he was consolidating his realm and didn't go out. He came to Kyle's place after breaking through, so he didn't really have any time to consolidate his realm. Since the opportunity presented itself, he didn't mind doing it here.

Void hadn't been doing anything lately and had been bored. Now that they wanted to go out, he was a little excited.

When they got to the place where the people were gathered, a middle-aged man looked at Grey, after glancing at them he didn't say anything else before teleporting everyone away.

When they entered the spatial tunnel, Grey sensed it and noticed that it was different from his own. He still didn't understand why there was a difference.

During the time he was in Kyle's place, he had been experimenting with a few things as he consolidated his realm. He even noticed that there was a difference in his domain as well, it was stronger than usual.

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While Grey and Kyle were headed to the Heavenly Fate Faction.

Somewhere in the Western Continent, another figure was preparing to head there as well.

"Father, your injuries aren't fully healed yet. Do you think it's safe to head there?" The figure looked at the frail man standing before him.

"I need to head there. There's something I need there." The frail man said firmly.

Even though he looked like he might die at any moment, he didn't want to let such an opportunity slip by.

"Alright, I'll accompany you, Father. I just broke through to the Elemental Venerable Plane, I should be able to assist you." The figure said.

If Grey were here, he would've recognized this person, the figure was none other than Gilbert.

Gilbert was preparing to head to the Heavenly Fate Faction with his father. According to the information they received, a secret realm opened, well, it's more like the ruins of the last Faction that produced a True God Plane Elementalist. Since that expert, there had not been any other True God Plane Elementalist in the Aurora Continent.

This expert ascended a few hundred years before the invasion. After the invasion, the Faction which was hidden in a secret space was destroyed.

All the members were killed by an unfortunate turn of events during the war. It hadn't been found in years, but now, it seemed to have reappeared. However, there was a limit to the people who could go in. According to the information, the Origin Source there was chaotic and anyone above the Elemental Venerable Plane couldn't enter.

Even those at the Elemental Venerable Plane are also at a risk, they've also created a link with the Origin Source, if they were to use it to amplify their strength too much, then they might risk being killed by the chaotic Origin Source in the secret realm.

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There were movements all over the Aurora Continent, and even the Middle Continent had movements as well. This was the ruins of the Faction of the last God Plane Elementalist to appear in the Aurora Continent, it was very appealing to everyone.

Even the Pyrmond Faction sent people over.

Grey had been in seclusion, and the moment he came out of seclusion, he left the Faction to break through.

The news of the ruins was only circulated amongst those top experts, other than the news of the competition which those youths knew of, only the top geniuses were aware of these ruins.

The Faction Leader wanted to send Grey over, but he was a little disappointed when he couldn't find him. Unknown to the Faction Leader, Grey was already on his way to the Heavenly Fate Faction.

Chapter 1084 Gathering In The Fate Region

Heavenly Fate Faction.

In the Faction Hall.

"Do you think it's safe to send them in?" An Elder asked.

"We don't have a choice. Our losses are already incredible. If we continue exploring it on our own, we will suffer more losses." The person sitting on the main seat replied.

The Faction Leader of the Heavenly Fate Faction was an old man who looked almost ethereal. He gave off a strange aura that seemed to put one at peace.

The Heavenly Fate Faction is one of the few Light Elemental Factions, and it was regarded as the strongest in the present Aurora Continent.

When they discovered the ruin of the True God's Faction, they naturally wanted to explore it on their own. Some of the news they brought back was due to the sacrifice of some people who dared to venture into the place. Now, they wanted to go deep into the place, but they knew the danger would increase as well. Since that was the case, it was best if they could get others to go in as well. Although this meant that they would have to share the benefits, it was better than losing more than half of their younger generation.

"Do you think they don't know that we're only bringing them in because of the dangers?" The Faction Leader asked, looking around the Hall. Seeing their silence he continued, "They know! But they can't deny the fact that there might be some terrifying secrets there. Everyone wants to see what they can get."

"We've already told them of the dangers in that place, if they were careless, then it has nothing to do with us." The Faction Leader added.

The others thought about it and nodded, the death rate of the people who had gone in your explore the place was frighteningly high, over eighty percent of the people who went in died. This was a shocking discovery to them.

The Elders and the Faction Leaders continued talking while more and more youngsters started to appear in the Fate Region. With the large influence of the Heavenly Fate Faction, it was only natural that the region their Faction was situated was named after them.

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Those from the top families started to arrive one by one. All the families that Grey had encountered came this time, the same could be said for the top Factions.

As the days went by, the number of people who had entered the Region surpassed over a hundred thousand people.

Since there was a restriction in place, the numbers weren't that high. There are billions of people in the Aurora Continent. Each Continent in the Aurora Continent easily has over five billion people. So for only around a hundred thousand people to appear so far, showed how difficult it was to enter the Elemental Venerable Plane.

The number would've been even smaller if it were only those in the Elemental Venerable Plane. Most of the people present were in the Late stages of the Sage Plane. Although more people wanted to enter, it would be a waste for those in the Mid stages of the Sage Plane to enter.

Grey soon arrived with Kyle's family. On his way here, he had already communicated with Klaus and the others. They were naturally coming as well.

Each of them was already in the Late stages, and Klaus was even at the Peak of the Sage Plane. This was an opportunity for him to break through to the Elemental Venerable Plane.

Alice, with the help of the Seelie, could fight against a Peak Sage Plane expert. Reynolds on the other hand was even more freakish, he could already fight with a weak First stage Elemental Venerable, thanks to his Elemental Warrior.

The Dawson Family, Burchard Family, Vaergahl Family, and all the top Families that Grey had been in contact with were all in the Region at the moment.

With the arrival of friends, some of his foes were also present as well. Those from the Syphilis Faction who seemed to hate him were present, and the Nether Faction was as well. The last time, he humiliated the young man during the competition, he was sure he would be present here.

Thinking about this, Grey knew he wouldn't have a good time here. He had made too many enemies, and although he had some friends, he didn't want them to be in trouble because of him.

'This trip wouldn't go so smoothly.' He thought to himself while resting.

He barely communicated with the other youths from Kyle's family. And amongst all the people present, he was the youngest in the Elemental Venerable Plane.

When Klaus and the others got here, he went over to meet up with them. Kyle followed along since it's been a while since he saw the others. He spoke with them from time to time, but it was on some occasions.

According to Klaus, since they were all present, they should get some drinks.

While they were in Pavilion, Grey noticed Ellis was present in the city and called him over.

It was very easy to introduce Ellis to his friends, Ellis was a powerhouse in the Elemental Venerable Plane and had a carefree personality, knowing that the others were Grey's friends, he was very open with them. They all got along smoothly.

"You've broken through to the Elemental Venerable Plane, congratulations." Ellis said after some drinks.



"Hey bud, do you think it would be like that place?" Klaus asked after some time.

"The trial land?" Grey looked at him.

"Yes. That place should also be part of the people who fought against the Gnomes in the war. Now that I think about it, I feel there's something strange about that place." Klaus nodded.

At the time they went to the trial land, they didn't know about any and only saw it as a land of opportunity. Now that they've come to the Aurora Continent, they've not only read about some things, but they've also seen some. It was safe to say that they were not the same people who entered the trial land years ago.

If this place is just like the trial land, then there are bound to be countless opportunities. Especially given the fact that it was the last Faction to produce a True God.

What was a True God? This was a Supreme being that could destroy the Aurora Continent with a snap of the finger.

Grey couldn't be bothered with these things for now, entering the place was his main priority. He would get stronger there and see how things are later on.

"Since we're going, you should be careful. Remember that the Gnomes sent out a death order for you. Some people would want to use this opportunity to kill you. In the Aurora Continent, it'll be hard to make a move on you given your background, but in there, there would be no way for a Peak Elemental Venerable to enter, much less an Elemental Sovereign.

Grey nodded, "Actually, as long as there are no Late stage Elemental Venerables there, I don't have too much to worry about. At most I'll run away."

"I have a thick skin, so it will be wishful thinking if they think they can kill me with one shot." He added.

The others have all seen his scales, it was quite powerful. And they all knew that he was also someone who had a strong physical body as well.

Most Elementalists were quite light in terms of weight, Grey, on the other hand, weighed as much as a six meter tall large Magical Beast. It was a strange thing.

Most of the time, after each breakthrough, he would quickly get used to his new weight, so as not to break the ground with each step. Very few people noticed this about him since he almost always breaks through alone.

The group continued chatting for a while and they felt it was safer to be in a group. Grey had enemies, but they were not united. This would mean even if they want to attack Grey, they would have to come alone or with their fellow Faction members. With this group together, it would be difficult to attack Grey.

Ellis was the strongest in the group, while Aelie was the weakest.

They all stayed together throughout that night, laughing and talking about their experiences

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Three days later.

Those who needed to be present were already present, and the few who weren't there could be counted as unlucky. Besides, it wouldn't be too late to send them in later.

Grey was standing with his friends. Each of them left where their Factions were located and walked over to stand with Grey.

Grey wasn't standing with the Dawson Family either, he didn't see his father around, and the only familiar face he saw was Conor Dawson. After exchanging a few words with him, he left them alone.

He had also gone to pay his respects to Ellis' father. He was part of the people who sent the O'Brien Family over. Seeing Grey, he was full of smiles.

When he heard that Lucas Dawson was Grey's father, he muttered the same words as Ellis.
'No wonder.'
Lucas was a monstrous genius, it wasn't weird if his son was more monstrous than himself. Not just Lucas, but his wife, Martha, was also a top genius as well. Their son couldn't be lacking when it came to this.
Grey also went over to the Burchard Family, he was quite acquainted with them, and Sylvia was also present. Seeing that Grey had already advanced to the Elemental Venerable Plane, she couldn't help burgive a wry smile. Before long, Grey would catch up to her.
She didn't know if she should be happy or not. When they met the first time, it could be said that she somewhat bullied Grey.
'He wouldn't want revenge, would he? He shouldn't be that petty, right?' She felt a bit fearful.
According to her understanding of Grey's character, he would seek revenge if threatened. He didn't care about anything else, so long as he deemed the other party a threat, he would want to eliminate them.
Luckily, she didn't do anything bad to him. Other than forcing him to fight and unknowingly almost getting him killed, she didn't do anything bad.
Grey met up with a few people before heading back to stand on his own.
His friends all stood by him.
Grey's appearance was very catching, he was well known by the younger generations, so some of them were introducing him to the older generation who brought them over.

The son of the famous Lucas and Martha Dawson. A youngster that the Gnomes released a kill order, someone who had attended multiple competitions and won all of them.

From their research, Grey appeared out of thin air, before conquering all the youths in the same stage as himself as he traveled. They've also done some research on his friends as well. They were all powerful in the same stage. Each of them seemed to be special as well.

One of them was a high grade summoner, another had a Seelie, an Elemental lifeform that rarely made bonds with people, and the last one could be said to be the ordinary one amongst all of them, but he was advancing even faster than the others, almost on par with Grey. Each of them could be regarded as a genius in any place, now they were all together.

Chapter 1086 It's Dangerous To Travel With Me

"Since everyone is gathered, I'll go straight to the point. This ruin appeared a few days ago. We've tried exploring it and have found a few things, we hope that this will be a chance for us..." The Leader of the Heavenly Fate Faction started to address the people.

He didn't hide the fact that they've already started exploring it and knew some things about it. This was why they were able to know the restrictions that were in place. He also told them of the dangers that lay in the place.

This place was not ordinary, and they all naturally knew of it. He told the youths that he hoped they didn't have any conflicts inside since they didn't know what dangers lay in the deeper parts of the ruin.

While addressing them, he could see some of the older generations' expressions. Most of them had sneers, but he didn't care. All that mattered now was to explore the place. If the secret to becoming a True God was discovered, it would be to the benefit of everyone present.

The Aurora Continent was in danger of being invaded by the Gnomes mainly because of this issue, they didn't have a True God.

Luckily for them, the True Gods from the Gnome World couldn't come in as well. But with True Gods present there, they would naturally have more people in the Half God Plane as well.

The Leader of the Heavenly Fate Faction spoke for over five minutes, everyone listening to his words. After advising the youths, he directly opened the passage into the ruins.

He didn't want to give the others any chance to know the method of opening. His intentions were clear, even if I allow your people to enter, the Heavenly Fate Faction will maintain monopoly of this ruin. One of the most important things was that this place was located in the core area of the Fate Region, close to the location of the Heavenly Fate Faction. Even if others coveted it, none of them dared to have a conflict with the Heavenly Fate Faction.

They might be only Light Elementalists, but they had terrifying combat strength. The light element was not used only for healing, it could also deal great damage to the body as well.

Grey couldn't be bothered with all this. He watched as the youths present rushed into the place. He didn't rush in since he didn't feel it would be good to enter among the first batch. But he also knew that staying out for too long was not in their best interest.

So after over a thousand people entered, he turned to the others, "Let's go."

The moment Grey made his move, he attracted the attention of some people. Those from the Pyrmond Faction hadn't gone in as of now, they seemed to be waiting for him. Not just the Pyrmond Faction, but those from the Burchard Family as well.

Grey was a little taken aback. He didn't expect these people would all be waiting for him. Even those from the O'Brien Family went in with him as well.

Internally he was complaining, but there was nothing he could do. He had a good relationship with these people. Even if he didn't want them to come with him, as long as their Family Head or Faction Leader said they should follow him, they would naturally follow him.

Of course, it doesn't mean that they didn't have any plans of their own. They just felt it was safer going with Grey.

When Grey and his group entered, some groups who had been waiting entered as well. For instance, the Syphilis Faction, who had a clash with the Pyrmond Faction entered, the Nether Faction entered at this time as well. Almost every person that had a conflict with Grey entered at this moment as well.

Some minutes after Grey entered, two figures entered silently. It was Gilbert and his father. Although his father looked frail, he didn't show any signs of weakness. His face was open so people didn't really know what he looked like.

As time went on, more people entered the place. One has to know that tens of thousands of people came for this event. Even if not all of them entered, there would be no way that more than ten thousand people wouldn't enter. Each of the people who entered were either in the Late stages of the Sage Plane, or the Mid stages of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

With the restrictions set, those above the Mid stages of the Elemental Venerable Plane couldn't enter, and it was too dangerous for those below the Late stages of the Sage Plane to enter. There were a few who didn't fear the danger of death and entered, but it had nothing to do with the Leader of the Heavenly Faction. Since more people wanted to go in, he would satisfy their greed. Besides, with more people, they would be able to go far.

Don't take it that since more than ten thousand people entered the place it would be congested, this was a secret realm that was as big as the Azure Continent. Even at the time Grey and his friends were still in the Azure Continent, there were more than a billion people staying there, and there was still the huge territory of the Magical Beasts' forest.

If that place was enough to contain over a billion people, it was not an issue for this place to have more than ten thousand people. Even if a hundred thousand people entered, it still wouldn't be overcrowded.

"I hope more than twenty percent returns alive." The Leader of the Heavenly Fate Faction muttered with a sigh.

Although his voice was low, the others heard him. Their expressions changed drastically when they heard this.

The fact that someone as powerful as Heavenly Fate said this without confidence showed how dangerous it was. Ten thousand people, twenty percent surviving, that was a shockingly low number given the number who entered.

A few people started to pray for their descendants who went in.

After everyone who wanted to enter the place entered, the Leader of the Heavenly Fate Faction turned to the others, "Do you plan on waiting till they return, if so, I humbly invite you to the Heavenly Pavilion for the time being."

A few people accepted his invitation, while others decided to leave. Staying here was not worth it. But they didn't plan on going far, they had to make sure they returned at the time these people came out.

When Heavenly Fate was speaking to the youths, he told them to come out within a month. No one else knew what would happen after a month. So they all wanted to wait, but not everyone was on good terms with Heavenly Fate.

"Seal the portal, no one is allowed to leave until the time limit." Heavenly Fate said to a figure that was standing close to the portal.

This person looked ordinary, but many people present knew of him. He was an old Half God expert. With him here, no one would dare to attack the place.

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After stepping through the portal, Grey's vision turned black and before long, he was introduced into a new world.

The energy here was chaotic, although it was abundant, he knew absorbing it would do more harm than good.

'No wonder they said we shouldn't stay more than a month.' He thought to himself as he looked around.

Seeing that his group was complete, he strode forward.

They were currently standing on a lush mountain top, looking around, this place seemed to be thriving. Yes, thriving. They could hear the roars of Magical Beasts coming from different places.

Looking around, he could see multiple figures running down from the mountain top. He also heard a few screams, looking up, he noticed a few people tried to fly in the sky and were directly sucked in by a space crack.

"Be careful everyone, this place is dangerous." He reminded the others.

"We don't need you to tell us." Klaus said as he looked in the distance.

Without anyone saying it, they all knew it was quite dangerous. The journey would not be smooth.

Unlike most people, Grey didn't make any movements after stepping into the place, rather, he started to study the place. Although Heavenly Fate had done a rough introduction to the place, Grey still wanted to see and observe some things for himself.

While he was studying the place, he made sure that he was not standing in front of the portal. If some people appeared from behind and attacked, it wouldn't be a good thing for them.

While he was studying the place, he saw as more and more people entered. Seeing some familiar faces, he maintained his indifferent face as they all rushed by.

The Nether Faction, as well as the Syphilis Faction but gave him a long look before leaving.

When those from the Pyrmond Faction saw how these people were staring at Grey, they couldn't help but feel like traveling with him was dangerous.

Chapter 1087 Trouble That Comes With Being Too Outstanding

Grey smiled coldly when he saw how these people were staring at him.

His friends couldn't care less about these people, they were hunted by an entire Continent while they were in the Azure Continent. Did these people think that they would be afraid of a mere bunch of people? Yes, it can't be denied that these people were stronger, but taking everything into account, the group wasn't strong at the time they were being chased, so it was very dangerous for them any mishap and they might've died.

Ellis saw the expressions of Klaus, Alice, and Reynolds, and he couldn't help but feel shocked, from how calm they looked, it was clear that this was not the first time they were in such a situation.

'They're already accustomed to it. F*ck!' He thought internally.

The feeling of being watched by over fifty people was chilling, it was obvious that these people didn't have any good plans for them, yet they were still so calm.

He wasn't the only one who was staring at them, Kyle, and even Keith was staring at them. Keith came with the group from the Pyrmond Faction, seeing Grey, he naturally went over to meet up with him.

Grey opened his mouth after some time, "Everyone, as you all can see, I'm a target of a lot of people. Don't think these are the only people who want to kill me, there are a few hidden in the large crowd as well, waiting for the chance. Traveling with me would only bring danger to you all. It would be best if we split up."

He wanted to split up with them. From the start, he had never been one who liked traveling with too many people. Even his small group of four looked to be a lot at some time.

Everyone thought about it after he finished speaking, other than his friends who were not swayed by the danger, the others were all thinking of it. If a large-scale battle broke out, some of them would undoubtedly die. They all know of the dangers here, dying for Grey's personal grudges with a few people didn't seem worth it at this time.

The leaders of some of the groups stepped forward, and after exchanging a few words with Grey, he left with his group. If they saw Grey in danger later on, it was up to them to decide if they wanted to help or not.

Grey might be strong, but no one felt he could fight against so many people.

"Grey, I'll have to leave with them as well. Eldris is already starting to get impatient." Conor spoke up as he approached Grey with a smile, his voice wasn't low, so Eldris heard it and snorted.

For this expedition, he wasn't made the leader, instead, Conor was the one who was told to lead the group. After finding out that Grey was the son of his Uncle, he felt a little envious. Grey's talent was already well known before his background was found out. Having such powerful parents while being a genius that didn't depend on the Dawson Family to rise was an amazing feat.

Eldris for one knew that without the Dawson Family, he wouldn't be who he is today.

Looking at how so many people were sucking up to Grey, he felt a little annoyed. Originally, he felt Conor would be the only one who could threaten his position, but with the appearance of Grey, he felt a greater threat. There was no way he would get the position with Grey around.

'If an opportunity arises, I'll kill him.' He made up his mind.

He was already in the Third stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane, so he didn't think that he would lose out to Grey. Eldris was one of the shining stars of the younger generation, in their current batch, very few people could compare to him. He wasn't as old as Ellis, but he was already close to the Mid stages of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

Conor, who was assigned as the leader of the group, was not even in the Elemental Venerable Plane yet, this was something that he found as an eyesore. Unfortunately, there was nothing he could do to him. If anything happened to Conor, he would not have a good time in the Family.

Grey waved goodbye to them, and before long, only the people of the Pyrmond Faction were left. Apparently, they didn't show any signs of leaving.

Grey turned to look at them, "You're not leaving?"

"The Faction Leader said you're the leader of the group." One of the Elemental Venerables said softly.

Others could leave, but they couldn't leave Grey. He had a conflict with the Syphilis Faction, but it was also the same for the others in the Faction. They all hated the people from the Syphilis Faction, so that battle could be said to be against the two Factions, not just Grey's personal battle.

"Me, the leader?" Grey was lost. He saw the Faction Leader before entering this place, and he didn't even mention this to him.

Now the Faction Leader was dumping these people on him, and going against the Faction Leader's words were a bit disrespectful.

Grey felt a headache when he saw this, he was grateful that the Faction Leader thought highly of him and even protected him, even at the cost of fighting against someone stronger than himself, but doing this seemed a little inappropriate to Grey.

"Can I reject?" He turned to look at the person who spoke earlier.

"The Faction Leader said your contribution in the Lutra realm is unmatched, so he wants us to follow you." The person gave Grey a wry smile.

They've all heard of Grey's stunning performance there. Whenever people were captured, he would rush there and save these people. Although he had a conflict with someone from the Faction later on, it was said that he saved a lot of people. He even managed to initiate a deal with some people from the Lutra realm.

"Being too outstanding is troublesome." Grey sighed, defeated by the Faction Leader's way of doing things.

When the others heard his words, their eyes twitched. Klaus and the others felt like beating him up. Since Grey broke through to the Elemental Venerable Plane, they've noticed that he started bragging occasionally.

Grey made sure those from the Pyrmond Faction didn't hear his words, only his friends who were by his side.

Chapter 1088 That Person Shouldn't Be Allowed To Live

"I can't lead the group. I'm honored by the Faction Leader's confidence in me, but I prefer moving with a smaller group. This is safer for me, and in case of any complications, I can escape easily. With too many people, escaping will be difficult. You already see my current predicament." Grey explained.

No matter what, he couldn't travel with such a large group. He had never been one who liked moving with too many people. If he saw these people later, he might stay with them for a while, but he didn't have any plans of exploring this place with them.

If anyone was in danger, and he managed to see the person, he would help.

When the people from the Pyrmond Faction heard his words, they couldn't help but shake their heads. It was clear that Grey didn't want to travel with them. Other than one person, the others weren't too familiar with Grey. But since the Faction Leader thought highly of him, and given what they've heard about him, they didn't mind traveling with him, but since he was rejecting the idea, it was okay.

Thinking of his predicament, they knew that it would be easier for him to escape when the group is not large. With too many people, he would naturally have to think of the safety of these people, especially when he's the leader of the group.

Being the leader came with a lot of responsibility, even some of the Elemental Venerables present didn't want to take the responsibility. In a ruin like this that is dangerous, it was normal that many people would die on the way and they would have to take responsibility for it when they go back to the Faction.

After thinking about it, they decided to leave. Although there was safety in numbers, a large group would also easily attract people.

Grey heaved a sigh of relief when he saw them leave.

"You didn't need to brag, you know that, right?" Klaus said with an annoyed expression.

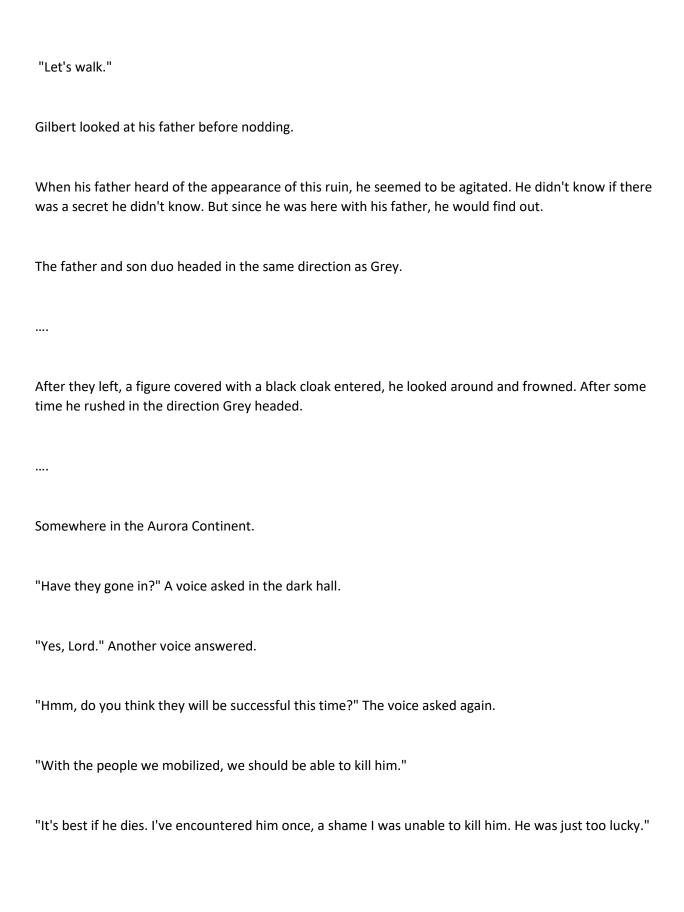
"It's not bragging, it's straight facts." Grey laughed, seeing the annoyed look on the faces of Klaus and Reynolds, he laughed even harder.

Alice laughed, she was already used to it. Although Grey rarely did things like this, there have been a few occasions when he would brag about things, angering Klaus and Reynolds.
After messing with the duo for a while, Grey decided to speak on the matter at hand, "Move together or separate?"
"Together."
"Separate."
"We'll be safer together."
"But we can't gain more opportunities together. If we go different ways, we can get more things."
Not all of them had the same agreement. Klaus, Reynolds, and Alice wanted to move separately, this was how they usually moved when in such a place. Ellis, Kyle, and Keith felt it was safer to be together.
They soon turned to Grey. Three people wanted them to be together, while the other three wanted them to go their separate ways.
Grey was the last one who hadn't said his mind.
He gave the matter some thought, before bringing out the communication device. Seeing that he could locate the others with it, he smiled.
"We move separately. Each of you has the communication device, so you can communicate with us. If there are any opportunities that you feel are too dangerous for one person, you can call on the others. It's the same if you're in danger." Grey said before taking out a new pair of communication devices.

With these, the others would be able to get the accurate location of each person present.

"No matter what, don't lose this, if not, we'll all be in danger." He warned after passing it to them.
The others took it and after injecting their spiritual senses inside, they realized that they could see the location of the others. It was just like Grey's own, but they are only connected to these pieces here. Grey's communication device is connected to every single device he has ever made.
After the group came to a decision, they left decisively.
Grey was finally alone.
"Which direction did the people from the Vaergahl Family head?" He asked Void who was on his shoulder.
"That way." Void pointed toward the east.
"Alright, we'll go in the other direction." Grey took off.
He didn't want to encounter them, in case of any issues coming up. He had absorbed the blood essence of a Dragon, and since these people usually did this, he didn't know if there was a way they would be able to sense it. He already had too many enemies, adding these people to it was not a good idea.
After Grey and the others left.
The father and son duo entered the place. While Grey was discussing with the others, people were still entering the realm. Even now that they had left, there were still people rushing in.
Gilbert's eyes flashed and he wanted to fly into the air, but his father placed his hand on his shoulder

before shaking his head.



"Lord, if I may, what's so special about him?"

"Special, we don't know, but that person shouldn't be allowed to live. He's an anomaly."

Chapter 1089 A Setback?

Grey and Void were carefully exploring the place. They couldn't be bothered with the people who had entered the place. Grey knew for a fact that some necromancers would've sneaked in and would most likely want to kill him. Since the people would only have the strength of, at most, a Sixth stage Elemental Venerable, he was confident in being able to escape.

'Oh, I haven't even tried using the Fusion State since breaking through.' He thought to himself.

Since breaking through to the Elemental Venerable Plane, he hadn't fought against someone with far superior strength, so he didn't even bother to test it out. He couldn't help but lick his lips in delight. With the Fusion State, if it followed the previous rule, then he would be able to increase his strength to the Ninth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane. With such a strength here, he would be unrivaled.

"Hehe, we can go on a rampage." He muttered.

He didn't need to fear anyone. If anyone messed with him, he would beat the hell out of the person, if he was annoyed, he might even kill them.

"Uh?" Confusion appeared on Grey's face as he looked around.

'What's going on?' He was stunned.

He tried to see if he could use the Fusion State, he only wanted to increase it by a few stages, but he realized something strange, his essence was in the Chaos Space, and he couldn't access it. Yes, he could use it to fight, but noticed that he couldn't merge it.

If he couldn't merge it, that means that there was no way for him to use the Fusion State. Without the Fusion State, he didn't have any confidence in being able to fight against those above the Third stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

'This shouldn't be happening, right?'

He was frightened. Over the past years, he had relied heavily on the Fusion State in most of his battles. Without it, then he would've died a long time ago. Now, his greatest asset seemed to have vanished.

What was worse was that it was due to his breakthrough. Breaking through caused the change, and now with the change, he had no way to fuse his essence. Without being able to fuse them, he would just be a regular genius.

"F*ck!" Grey suddenly cursed out loud in frustration, he almost had the thought of just going out of this place.

The reason he was confident and told the others to leave was because he was relying on the increase of his strength after using the Fusion State. He didn't want too many people to see it. He was still in the First stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane, if his stage suddenly shot to the Ninth stage, it would alarm the others. Now, he didn't have that, and he was all alone. Well, Void was still with him, so that's a good thing.

'I should've gone with Ellis.' He sighed, but he quickly came back to his senses.

For some time now, he had also felt it, he had been relying too much on the Fusion State that he rarely does any good training. With the Fusion State, he could get treasures and advance faster.

To be honest, he knew that he had advanced too quickly which was generally not a good thing. Klaus and the others already had three years to learn all the basics, but he was different. He was three years behind them, so during his time in the Lunar Academy, he focused mainly on increasing his strength. Although he went for classes, he didn't take in too much knowledge.

While Grey was showing frustration, Void was staring at him, a little shocked. Grey had always been calm and collected, seeing him curse out all of a sudden was strange.

"What's wrong?" He couldn't help but ask.

"Nothing, I'm just annoyed." Grey answered before looking at his front.

He would use this opportunity to get well accustomed with his realm. The Fusion State had always been making him fight against people stronger than himself. Most of the times he engaged in life and death battles, it was always with people who were at least three stages above him. Now, he wouldn't dare to do such a thing since he didn't know if he would be able to survive it.

"Let's get going. This trip might not be as smooth as I thought." Grey said.

Luckily, he gained some new abilities, if not, he wouldn't know what to do. It can be said that the item Ellis' father brought over could not have come at any time better than the time he brought it. At least he had a stronger physical body now compared to others, once he used the Dragon scales, as well as his other defensive abilities, he was certain that he would be able to survive even an all-out attack from someone in the Fourth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

'So this is how it feels to be normal?'

If others knew of his thoughts, they would beat him up. How could a normal person have eight elements, three domains already awakened while still in the First stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane, can use spiritual sense attacks, and also has two special elements. Not just that, but Grey had a variety of items that could help him if he were in danger.

It's safe to say that even some Elemental Sovereigns are not as well equipped as Grey is. This was even removing the fact that Grey was an Inscriber and had shocking physical prowess. In a life and death battle, it's not generally the strongest that wins. If the difference in strength isn't much, a person with too many hidden cards can kill someone that is even three stages above them.

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Grey traveled the ruin like a depressed figure, he didn't open his face since he didn't want to bring any troubles to himself. He also told Void to walk on his own, too many people knew that he always had a

cat that was sitting on his shoulder. So even with his face covered, as long as Void was with him, people would know it's him.
'Grey, there's something ahead. People seem to be fighting for something.' Void's voice rang in Grey's head.
'Their strength?' He asked.
'Early stage Elemental Venerables.' Void replied.
'I'm on my way.' Grey rushed toward the place.
If there was anything good there, he would take it. It didn't matter if it was useful to him or not. This place is a treasure trove, there might be some good things that he could obtain here.
Some time later, Grey appeared at where the people were gathered.
Looking at the item they were fighting over, he couldn't help but look at them sheepishly.
"A robe?" He was a little taken aback.
Why would people be fighting over a robe?
He was still wondering when he witnessed an interesting scene, while the people were fighting, just as someone was about to snatch the robe, it flew away on its own, dodging the lunge of the person.
'Clothes could do that?' He was stunned.
How could a robe move on its own, it didn't make sense.

'Good stuff, good stuff.' He thought internally.

No matter what, he was going to get this robe. It wasn't a simple item. If he could have it, he would study it properly.

'Does it have a consciousness or what?' He thought.

There were a lot of magical things in the world, so there might be a chance that this item had developed consciousness. Of course, the possibility of that happening was very low, but it was not impossible. This was a place that was said to house a True God!

Grey didn't rush over as he watched them, he wanted to be the fisherman. While these people fought, he would be the one to benefit from it. He concealed his aura and hid by the side.

Void did the same as they watched the battle go on.

While they were still fighting, Grey frowned and looked to the right. A figure was rushing in that direction. When he sensed the aura of that person, his facial expression changed slightly. The new arrival was in the Fourth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

'It'll be difficult to get this item. But with me and Void, we should be able to get it.' He watched the battle become fiercer.

When this person came over, he originally wanted to use his superior strength to overwhelm the others, but he received a backlash as everyone grouped up and fought against him.

He was soon injured, sensing how things were going, he couldn't care less, after exploding with a powerful attack, he grabbed at the robe. A large essence hand appeared, covering the robe.

The robe wanted to escape but it couldn't move from the spot. The space was confined

The young man in the Fourth stage smiled and beckoned. The robe flew in his direction, just as he was about to hold it, a fissure appeared and a hand came out, grabbed the robe and vanished.

Everything happened so fast that no one reacted on time.

Even Grey who was about to make a move was stunned.

'F*ck!'

Chapter 1090 Not Calling Help

'Who stole my robe?' Grey was dumbfounded.

He already set his eyes on it. How could someone steal something right in front of him and Void?

Without further delay, he rushed over with the space element. He had to make sure he caught the person who dared to steal something he had set his sights on. For someone who had always got what he wanted, it was a rare sight that he was outsmarted by someone else. Other than a few occasions, he had almost always obtained anything he had to fight for.

Not just Grey, but the few people who were hiding in the shadows all chased after the person that stole the robe.

The person was a Space Elementalist, and was definitely in the Elemental Venerable Plane, hence the speed. But with Void and Grey working together, they were certain that they would be able to get the person.

There were also one or two people in the Fifth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane that was also giving chase.

Only after over five minutes did Grey and the others give up in dejection, they couldn't find the person.

The person not only used the space element to run away but also hid away from others. Even Void and Grey were not able to locate the person.

Just like Grey and Void, the others were frustrated when they couldn't find the person. They didn't know if the person was hidden, or if the person had come out and was standing among them.

Since there was no way to find the person, they could only give up.

"We suffered a loss." Void was at loss. This was something that rarely happened. As long as both him and Grey made a move, then the item was most definitely theirs. Even when there were people who were far stronger than they were, they had still been able to get the item.

Yet, someone in the Elemental Venerable Plane bested them. It was an unfamiliar feeling to them. After so many successes, they didn't know how it felt to be defeated.

Grey was a little better with taking the result of what happened, he only looked around for a while and moved away. It hadn't been long, but someone had already found something good. If this was the case, then this place definitely had a lot of good things. He was curious about the robe, but since he couldn't get it, there was no use in thinking too much about it.

Void complained as they didn't get the item, but he still followed after Grey. They were just around the periphery of the ruin, this meant that there would definitely be good things in the deeper parts of it. All they had to do was to make sure that they reached the deeper parts.

'It's not too dangerous.' Recalling what the Leader of the Heavenly Fate Faction said, Void felt this place was not as dangerous as they made it out to be. Of course, this was just the starting part of it, but he hadn't sensed any dangers up until now. Not even Magical Beasts have attacked. Other than the sky which was already determined as a dangerous place, no other place seemed to have any dangers.

Grey had a different opinion compared to Void. With opportunity came danger, this was something he was aware of, there was a huge chance that the danger that came with the robe might not be too strong, so the combined effort of everyone was able to take care of it, but there was a probability that if they were alone, the danger might be stronger than what they faced together.

The duo continued walking around, they occasionally saw people, but as they ventured deeper, they started to see Magical Beasts, well, he didn't know if they could still be called. Magical Beasts. These beasts seemed to be maniacal, it was almost like they had gone crazy.

They would attack anyone they saw, regardless of the person's strength. Even when the person was a Plane above them, they still attacked.

Whenever they came close to Grey and Void, all the duo did was release their aura and the beasts would make way.

'This bloodline suppression thing of Magical Beasts is strange. I wonder if humans have it as well.' Grey thought to himself.

If humans had such a thing, it would make things complicated. One has to know that even when Void was weak, he could still suppress Magical Beasts stronger than himself due to his superior bloodline. If humans had these as well, then some people at the Early stages of a Plane could suppress those in a higher stage.

Wherever the duo sensed people fighting, they would head over to check it out. Other than the robe, Grey hadn't seen anything that piqued his interest, so he hadn't fought for anything as of now.

They'd been in the ruin for over three hours now, and other than traveling deeper, Grey and Void hadn't done anything else.

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While Grey and Void were just taking a stroll in the ruin, Klaus had already found an opportunity. He was not alone, Reynolds was there with him as well.

The duo had always liked traveling together whenever they were in places like this. They didn't have as many trump cards as Grey, and they didn't like fighting as much as Alice, so they were together.

"Can we get it?" Reynolds asked as they looked at the building in front.

The building was old, giving off the feeling that it had been standing since the beginning of time.

They could sense a strong chilling essence coming from the place. Whatever was inside definitely had to do with the water element, or at least there was ice in there.

"I have to get it. I might be able to break through to the Elemental Venerable Plane if I get this." Klaus' eyes were glowing, he didn't want to miss this opportunity, but he knew it wouldn't be easy.

He had seen a few Elemental Venerables around the place, luckily, they were in the Early stages of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

"Should we call Grey?" Reynolds asked.

If Grey were to be with them, the chances of them getting the item would be higher.

"No, we've not even separated for up to a day and we're already calling him for help." Klaus didn't agree to it.

They had grown to depend on Grey when it came to things like this. Thinking about it, it wasn't a good thing for them.