

Affinity 1491

Chapter 1491 Against The Universe II

Grey stood on the same spot as the lightning came crashing down. One after another, it didn't stop, it only got stronger. Grey didn't take a step away from the place he stood, he prepared each time a lightning was about to strike and withstood it without any thoughts of backing down.

The lightning got fiercer, but Grey stood in the same spot. With the help of all the defensive abilities he had in store, he withstood all the attacks. Luckily, he has had a few encounters with not just one but two tortoise type Magical Beasts, one of the Beasts known for their impressive defensive capabilities. Those encounters were enough to equip him with what it took to withstand these attacks.

With every attack, he felt like he was poking ever stronger at the veil blocking his path from getting to the Sovereign Plane. He wanted to achieve this, he was desperate to achieve this. There was no way he would give up now that he was so close to achieving this.

The sky roared, as if angered that Grey was on the verge of breaking through.

Grey looked at it, not showing any signs of backing down. As long as he had already gotten to this stage, he would see it through.

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A few kilometers away.

Lucas' attention had been drawn away from the apparition for the first time since it appeared. He sensed a powerful aura at the place Grey was breaking through.

At first, he thought someone powerful had sneaked to where Grey was and attacked him. But when he spread out his senses he realized there was no one there, rather, Grey was being attacked by the sky.

"The world is fighting him." He speculated.

The path to the God Plane which has been broken means the universe will do whatever it can to stop anyone from getting to the God Plane. Normally, it would win, but Grey was an anomaly.

The heart rate of Lucas started to beat faster. Grey was fighting for the chance of not just himself getting to the God Plane, but the chance of everyone in the Aurora Continent. Even some necromancers wouldn't mind ensuring Grey wasn't killed if they found out about such news.

The chances of them getting to the God Plane was more important to them than whatever rewards promised by the Gnomes. One of the reasons the early necromancers started was so they could try to break the curse which was the Half-God stage. The Half-God stage is the same as a Pseudo-sovereign, it's just that there was a massive gap in strength between a Half-God and a God. Even someone like Grey will not be able to bridge it.

Grey was able to fight with that man even though he was a Pseudo-sovereign and the man was a Sovereign. But in the Half-God and God Plane, it is completely different. There was no way anyone could bridge the gap. A God was a God.

Lucas looked at the sky and his eyes showed concern. He was worried for the safety of his son.

'Those should be enough for him, right?' He thought as he looked at the treasures left.

Grey has used over half of the treasures, but he felt they should be enough to get Grey to the Sovereign Plane. The intensity of the attack was already on the Sovereign Plane. As long as Grey could last a little while, he should be able to push through.

The apparition in the sky was releasing an even greater pressure, and it was as if it was fighting against something that wanted to stop it. Only Lucas knew that the figure was indeed fighting against something, and it was nothing else but the universe.

The universe should be undefeatable, but a God naturally has the ability to defeat it.lights

Lucas watched Grey nervously, waiting to intervene if Grey's life was endangered.

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Grey on the other hand was standing firm. Since the first time, he hadn't been pushed back by any other attack. He had stood in the same spot, taking all the attacks. The energy in his body at the moment is enough to make a Sovereign explode, but he was still fine.

He gritted his teeth as he looked at what was left. The sky was still rumbling, but his eyes were placed on what he had left.

'I'll absorb them all. With the sudden boost, I might be able to break through.'

He came to a conclusion and without hesitation, he started the process. The essence from everything laid before him was taken in instantly.

Grey's body showed signs of cracks, the amount of essence he took in at once was too much, and even with his special body, he found it very hard to keep it in check.

His eyes turned red, but he didn't let any of the essence leak out of his body, not even a tiny bit of it.

'We'll see who wins.' He roared internally and his body started to bloat.

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While cracks appeared on Grey's body, the same happened to the apparition that was in the sky. Everyone saw the cracks in its body and even for a short moment, they saw it start to bloat.

Everyone wondered why the sudden change in the apparition's image. Only those who knew of Grey's identity showed signs of worry.

They could tell this was connected to Grey in some way. They all knew he was at the Peak of the Venerable Plane and might be on the verge of breaking through to the Sovereign Plane. If this apparition breaks apart, it meant Grey was done for or so they assumed.

They watched it with worry in their eyes.

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Grey on the other hand was stubbornly absorbing everything. A lightning bolt struck him and the cracks in his body increased, but his size was going back to the original state.

The cracks were still there, but he wasn't bloating again. Another lightning bolt shot his way, but there was no signs of fear in his eyes, rather, there was only excitement.

Chapter 1492 The Sovereign Plane

Grey could sense the strength that was flowing through his body. At this rate, he was a hundred percent certain that a single punch from him could make a Second stage Sovereign Plane Elementalist explode from impact.

He was getting stronger, but so was the lightning. However, he didn't show any signs of worry as he faced the lightning that was coming his way, rather, he was excited. The more he was struck by the lightning, the stronger he got. If this continued, he would be able to fight with a Mid stage Sovereign while he was still in the First stage.

He was planning to sneak into the Gnome world. As long as he could get stronger before he entered that place, he didn't mind if he had to suffer a little. With the increase of his strength, he could withstand the attacks. They hurt a little, but it wasn't something he couldn't bear.

His body was strengthened by all elements as he broke through to the Sovereign Plane. This was the greatest boost he has received since he started cultivating. Other than the Fusion stage which suddenly disappeared, his greatest benefit at the moment was the fact that his physical strength could withstand the attacks of someone close to the Mid stages of the Sovereign Plane as he gets to the First stage of the Sovereign Plane.

All the essence his father prepared for him was soon finished and he had to rely on the essence he was getting from the array he created. He could feel the veil was on the verge of breaking, it only needed a

little more push and it would break. Once it breaks, he would become a Sovereign, one of the top experts in the Aurora Continent at such a young age.

The cracks on his body were still there, but he had returned to his normal size, and he could feel the significant increase in his strength.

The next lightning bolt struck him, and blood dripped down the side of his mouth. This attack was strong, and since he wasn't taking in so much energy now due to the finished items brought by his father, he couldn't match up with the increase in the strength of the attack, but he still took it.

With a serious expression, he brought out all the items he had with him that could increase the essence he was taking in at the moment. He knew all he needed was a little bit more and he would become a Sovereign.

The next lightning bolt struck, and Grey roared, but instead of from pain, his energy spiked and it passed the stage of a Pseudo-sovereign, finally getting into the Sovereign Plane.

The energy his body contained at the moment was so much that even he found it hard to take in everything. The items he brought out were not as much as the ones his father gave him, but they were still too much for him.

Another lightning bolt was preparing, he could sense that it was the last one. And with no other choice, he knew he had to dispel the excess energy in his body which caused the cracks.

He flew into the sky, waiting for the attack from the thundercloud.

The lightning struck, but Grey pushed all the energy in his body into making the lightning bolt weaker. The first time, he used his normal elemental attack, so there was no change in the lightning attack. This time, he was using pure essence to attack the lightning which was also made of pure essence as well.

The two collided and for the first time, Grey saw a change in the lightning bolt coming his way. The lightning wasn't as strong as the previous ones.

When it hit his body, he felt as if he was having a warm bath. He was refreshed compared to the previous pains he felt from it.

'So refreshing.' This was the only thought in his head.

The lightning bolt didn't make his muscles jolt anymore, rather, it made them feel relaxed.

Grey himself calmed down.

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On the outside world.

At the time Grey absorbed more energy, the cracks on the body of the apparition increased, as if it was about to break apart. But after a few more seconds, it started to heal up.

The cracks healed very quickly and the apparition was even more magnificent as the cracks started to disappear from its body. It was as if it was a new being.

The pressure the apparition released spiked for a moment and most people below the Late stages of the Venerable Plane found it hard to even take a breath. It was only for a moment, but they all felt the pressure, even those people secluded.

This time, all the Half-God Elementalists in the Aurora Continent were alerted by it. It lasted only for a second, but it was enough to tell them something serious was happening.

The apparition soon started to show signs of fading. During the final moments, it looked towards a certain direction, as if attracted by something.

The direction it was looking at was the part of the Aurora Continent that was cut off and had become the Azure Continent where Grey and his friends were born.

After that short look, it faded off completely.

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On Grey's end. His body had healed up and he could sense the immense energy his body contained. If he used an explosive attack at the moment, he would be able to shatter a Fourth stage Sovereign, and even a Fifth stage Sovereign might not be safe. However, he knew it wasn't something that was permanent. He could only use it for at most three to five attacks.

Only after using it can he know how many times he can use the explosive energy in his body.

'Another valuable trump card.' He thought internally.

With this, he would be able to attack Mid stage Sovereigns by surprise. None of them would expect him to use such a powerful attack, so they wouldn't be prepared for it.

Chapter 1493 Movement From All Around

The entire Aurora Continent was still looking at the sky even when the apparition had faded off.

On Grey's end, he had broken through and was seated on the same spot once again.

"The Sovereign Plane." He muttered.

He didn't see too much difference between it and the Pseudo-sovereign stage. Other than the significant increase in his strength, there wasn't much that impressed him.

"In the end the increase in cultivation Plane is just an increase in overall strength." He said.

As he studied himself, his father appeared in front of him.

Lucas sensed Grey's cultivation stage and nodded. At least Grey got to the Sovereign stage this time. When he saw the cracks on Grey's body, he was very worried about his safety, but now that he had seen him with his own eyes, he was calm.

"How do you feel?" He asked.

"Energized." Grey replied. His eyes were closed as he was trying to familiarize himself with his new strength.

After a while, he opened them and looked at his father. He smiled and said, "Thank you."

Lucas didn't expect Grey to thank him.

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"It's fine. You're my son, if I don't help you, who would I help?" He replied Grey's words.

Grey smiled, he expected such a reply from his father, but he felt compelled to thank him since he was the reason he could safely hide and get to the Sovereign Plane without having to worry about anything else.

The duo spoke for a while before Lucas suggested they headed somewhere so Grey could consolidate his strength. Compared to most people, Lucas felt the best way to consolidate one's new strength is through battles.

Most people would rather sit idly and consolidate their realm. But Lucas was different, he believed fighting is the only way to do it right.

Grey followed him without hesitation.

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While Grey and Lucas were on a journey to consolidate his realm, the entire Continent was once again busy conversing about the apparition. This time, the conversation was bigger than the last time.

The apparition gave the people a hint with the direction it looked at. Of course, they didn't know the exact place the apparition looked at, but they knew the direction. All they needed to do was search in that area.

Grey and his father didn't go in that direction, rather, they were in the opposite direction, so they had nothing to worry about.

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Klaus sensed the unrest in the Continent and couldn't help but worry about the safety of his friend. He soon found out the reason most of the people were hiding in that direction.

"You mean there's a chance to become a God there?" He asked the young man that was speaking to him in surprise.

The person talking to him was a genius from a top Faction.

Klaus had managed to build a great reputation for himself. If not for Grey who was overshadowing his great achievements, he would've been the most famous talent in the Continent. But since Grey was alive, he had no choice but to be second.

He was well known in the Continent and could speak with most of the top talents in the Continent.

"Yes, that's what the Faction Leader said. Everyone is going there in such of an opportunity." The young man said.

Klaus looked at them like they were morons, yes, he was slightly suspicious of the direction the apparition looked at, but he knew the apparition was Grey. To him, he felt the only reason the apparition looked in that direction was because Grey wanted to distract everyone.

He didn't know that was where the Azure Continent once resided, so he didn't think much about it.

'Such a brilliant tactic.' He thought to himself.

"Since that's the case, I believe only those at the Peak or close to the Peak of the Sovereign Plane will be able to get it." He said to the young man, he looked at him and said, "A Peak Venerable wouldn't stand a chance in such a situation."

"I know. But you never can be sure of what will happen. What if a Venerable or even a Sage Plane Elementalist is the one destined to obtain such an opportunity?" The young man was at the Peak of the Venerable Plane, but he didn't want to give up on such an opportunity.

To be honest, he was right with his assumption, but Klaus didn't even think about it. Grey already had everything, what were these people rushing to obtain?

"I see. Good luck with your journey. I'm not going to be participating in this thrilling adventure." Klaus smiled at the young man.

The young man didn't mind Klaus' words. Not everyone would want to attempt such opportunities. He thanked Klaus and left.

Klaus burst into laughter when the young man was a distance away.

'That guy would rather give such an opportunity to Void than let others have it.'

He knew Grey's character, and Grey would never accept giving others an opportunity like this if it was even valid, much less giving them a hint.

"I wonder where he is. I want to see how strong he is now." He murmured to himself before leaving the place.

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Most of the top people in the Aurora Continent were headed in the direction the apparition looked at. Even some of the top powerhouses in the Upoya Region did the same. The Dawson Family searched for Lucas, but they couldn't find either him or Grey.

Some of them thought he had left with Grey. The duo were the two top geniuses in the Family, and might most likely have the greatest chances of inheriting a God's inheritance.

Even though the duo were not around, others from the Family still headed out.

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Alice and Reynolds followed Klaus' footsteps and didn't head for the expedition. They knew there was nothing to be obtained, so what was the point? Even if there is something to be obtained, it belonged to Grey.

Chapter 1494 Lucas' Deductions

Boom! Bam!

The sound of an explosion rang out in a forest as a large creature crashed into the trees.

"Impressive, but this is one of the weaker ones."

A voice commented on the side.

The dust from the explosion died down and Grey looked at the large Bull that he struck down. This was a top Magical Beast with amazing defensive abilities. He literally just barged into the Rank Eight Magical Beast's zone, and the first beast he encountered, which was this Bull, attacked him.

He fought back, defeating it after a tough fight. The Bull's skin was very thick and Grey's attacks could barely penetrate it. Luckily, he was able to use brute force to send it flying. The impact of his brutish attacks rocked the innards of the Bull.

Lucas was watching Grey from above, ensuring that any potential danger that lurks around could be prevented. Rank Eight Magical Beasts might be plentiful across the Continent, but they couldn't just go around killing high ranked Magical Beasts. This might cause an uproar in the Magical Beasts' kingdom, and given their superior numbers, humans didn't want to have any sort of war with them.

The Bull stood up and shook its gigantic over three meters tall body. It looked at Grey, its eyes red. It was as if it wanted to kill Grey with his look.

Grey didn't back down from the Bull's gaze. He has never been afraid to fight. This Bull might be powerful, but he knew he would be able to eventually take it down.

The Bull charged at him once again, its horns pointed in Grey's direction. Grey stood in the same spot as the large Bull ran in his direction. To the amazement of Lucas, Grey stretched out both hands and grabbed the horns of the Bull.

The speed and force of the Bull pushed Grey back, but he didn't let go. His legs slid on the ground, drawing a line on the ground. He held on, and with a powerful roar, he used the momentum of the Bull and flipped it into the air.

With the Bull hanging in the air, Grey disappeared and appeared above it. His hand was covered with flashes of flames and lightning. He unleashed a mighty punch on the body of the Bull.

The Bull crashed into the ground once again. This time, it wasn't able to get back up in a short time. It stayed on the ground as Grey gently floated close to it.

"I've never eaten a Rank Eight Bull meat." Grey rubbed his chin and looked at his shoulder where Void had already appeared at the mention of Rank Eight Bull meat, "What do you think, Void?"

"It looks delicious. Let's cook it." Void was a hundred percent behind Grey killing and cooking the Bull for their consumption.

Lucas looked at Void with a curious expression. He had tried to see what species of cat Void was, but he hadn't seen anything about him. Void could enter and exit Grey's spatial storage at will which was also a shocking fact.

As if sensing Lucas' piercing gaze, Void looked at his direction and gave a brilliant smile. He was genuinely afraid of Lucas. He couldn't sense Lucas' strength, and what he found the most shocking is that he had encountered other Half-Gods, but none of them gives him the feeling Lucas gives him.

Lucas smiled at Void and looked at the Bull. To be honest, he didn't mind eating this Bull. He had tasted Grey's cooking and knew he was a great cook just like his mother. Even though Elementalists don't get hungry, it doesn't mean they don't enjoy eating. The delicate flavors they taste from the meals is always a great feeling.

The Bull stood up and Void wanted to attack.

"Calm down, it's mine." Grey sensed the energy gathering around Void stopped him.

This was his target for training. It might not have powerful attack power, but it had a great defense for an Early stage Rank Eight Magical Beast.

Void stopped, but he was eager to eat the meal. He hadn't eaten in a long time, and even during Grey's breakthrough when Grey prepared a large meal, he didn't get any because Grey was keeping them for his breakthrough. At the end of the breakthrough, there was nothing left for him to eat. With a dejected expression, he hid inside the storage ring.

He had been coming out as they traveled, but he rarely stayed out for long.

Grey attacked the Bull once again, and this time, he noticed the skin of the Bull changed, not just that, but the Bull turned around and retreated. It was smart enough to know it wasn't Grey's match, so the best choice for it was to escape.

"Not under my watch."

Grey's figure blitzed through the forest and caught up with the Bull. He struck out once again, punching the Bull in the head.

The Bull tried to dodge the attack, but it was a little too slow and was caught in the attack.

The Bull staggered back, and its vision blurred. Before it could react, Grey started to rain punches on the body of the Bull. Like a defenseless child, the Bull couldn't even fight back as it was soon hammered to death by Grey's punches.

Lucas was watching from above and was astounded by Grey's immense physical strength. He knew Grey's body contained incredible explosive energy, but he didn't think it was on such a level.

"Is this how a God is as well? Strong all-round?" This was the only question in his head.

It was common knowledge that only Magical Beasts and Barbarians possess such insane physique. Most humans only have amazing elemental strengths. Yes, their bodies grow stronger as they grow stronger, but it isn't to a state they could rival Magical Beasts with just it. Grey could achieve this, which made him different.

'There has never been any teachings about improving one's physique. Or could it be that it was removed?'

So many questions flashed through Lucas' head and he came to an assumption, a God needed to be perfect, and having a weak physique was a weak spot.

Chapter 1495 More Overpowered Than Void

Lucas wanted to know the secrets to becoming a God. He had been searching for a long time, but he had never thought of ever trying to be perfect. Only after seeing Grey did this thought come to him. If an Elementalist could be perfect, then there's a high chance he could become a God.

No weakness, incredibly strong. This was a new view on things. With this insight, there's a chance that he might be able to break the curse that has plagued the Aurora Continent for countless years now.

However, when he sensed the strength of his physical body, his expression turned grim. He would need tens of years to increase the strength of his physical body to that of a Half-God stage.

The only way he had been able to increase his physical strength all this while was through breakthrough, and compared to Grey's method, it was completely different and would be weaker.

'I'll start working on it. But for now, he has the greatest chance. I'll make sure to create the opportunity for him. I need to discuss with those guys.' Lucas looked at his son and shut his eyes to think about what might be.

A God appearing in the Aurora Continent would change everything.

While Lucas was thinking about all this, Grey had not only killed the Bull, but he was in the process of skinning it, preparing to cook it. He always moves around with ingredients in case the situation arises.

Lucas was surprised when he saw Grey bringing out so many ingredients. He even had some great tonics he was planning on using for making soup.

"How luxurious." He commented as he moved closer.

"Father, can you help seal this place? So no aura will go out." Grey requested.

Lucas gave him a suspicious look, but did as Grey requested. His expression once again turned into one of shock when he saw what Grey brought out.

"Hey little guy, how has it been in there?" Grey said to the Dragon that came out from his spatial ring.

He had been keeping this guy there and had even forgotten to bring it out since leaving. Well, it wasn't that he completely forgot, it was just that he didn't have the opportunity to do so. Now that they were about to have a feast, of course he was going to bring out the little Dragon.

"You have a Dragon?" Lucas couldn't help but ask.

"Well, I saw its wounded mother in the forest..." Grey explained how he met Melmera and how she gifted him some techniques with the hope of having him look after her son.

"Such pure bloodline. It must be from the inner circle." Lucas commented and said, "Even among Dragons, they are ranked by the purity of their bloodline. This Dragon's mother might not have a pure bloodline, but the little one has one of the purest bloodlines I've seen."

"Does that make him special even among Dragons?" Grey asked as he looked at the little guy.

"More or less. Depends on its potential. But with such a bloodline, there's no reason for it not to have limitless potential. It will grow like that cat, having no obstacles." Lucas explained.

He had asked Grey about Void and how Void cultivated. Hearing that Void only sleeps and rarely trains, he was genuinely jealous of Void. Not having to cultivate like them was an amazing thing. One might think such a figure is lazy, but he had seen Void in action a few times and knew that he was anything but lazy.

Grey was happy on behalf of the Dragon. As long as the Dragon can get stronger quickly, he was fine.

"Actually, there's a special ability such Dragons usually have. I don't know if this little one will have it. But it's a very powerful ability." Lucas recalled something and walked over to the Bull.

He moved his hand in a quick manner and the head of the Bull was cut open, a small bead appeared in his hand as he walked to the Dragon.

The Dragon was afraid and moved to Grey's back. He could sense that Lucas could kill him with a single strike.

"Don't worry, he won't harm you." Grey comforted him.

The Dragon looked at him and slightly moved away from Grey's back, only poking his head out.

Lucas didn't mind this and tossed the beast core of the Bull to him. Given the size of the Bull, its core is originally bigger than the small bead in Lucas' hand, but Lucas compressed it to such a size to make it more convenient for the Dragon.

The Dragon opened his mouth and with a single gulp, he swallowed it down.

The body of the Dragon bloated as Lucas studied it carefully, if he senses that it was in danger, he would remove the excess energy from his body.

The Dragon which seemed like it was about to explode quickly retracted back to its original size, however, something else was happening. Its aura started to spike.

It was previously in the Mid stages of the Fifth Rank, but under the gaze of Lucas, Grey, and Void, it shot to the Peak of the Fifth Rank, and after a few seconds, it broke into the Sixth Rank. It continued moving and stopped at the peak of the Early stages of the Sixth Rank.

In a matter of seconds, the Dragon went from the Mid stages of the Fifth Rank to the peak of the Early stages of the Sixth Rank.

Rank Five to Six in only a few seconds, and the Dragon didn't look like it was in any danger, nor were there any signs of side- effects.

"That's even more overpowered than Void's sleeping" Grey's breath was taken away. He didn't expect Dragons to possess such abilities, and this little guy had it as well.

"If we get him more, wouldn't he just be able to get to Rank Eight in a few days?" He asked his father.

"That's not how it works. You see, after taking a good number of it, quality cores, their bodies will need time to adjust." Lucas explained.

Chapter 1496 Unmatched Boldness

Grey had read about Dragons before, but he didn't know too much about them. His father has given him insight about some things that weren't written in those books.

"Oh right, are there still Phoenixes?" He asked. This was a question he had always been curious about. Unlike Griffins and Dragons, he had never seen a real life Phoenix, and neither had he heard of anyone who owned one.

"Yes, I've seen a few. But they're very secretive and don't like showing themselves around people." Lucas nodded with a thoughtful expression, as if trying to recall the place he last saw one.

"I see. Alright then." Grey looked at Eisendrache and chuckled, "You're going to have your first meal, and luckily for you, I'm a great cook."

Eisendrache nodded, he could tell Grey wanted to prepare the meat before them, but he didn't know why. Left alone, he would dig into it like that.

Void looked at him in disdain, he couldn't believe how uncivilized Eisendrache was.

"Look here kid, we don't eat meat raw. There's no way you can make it juicy and crunchy without it getting cooked." Void explained and said, "Don't worry, since you've joined our group, I'll introduce you to all the wonders of the world."

Eisendrache didn't know much about what Void was saying, but he still nodded.

Grey had a thoughtful expression and asked his father, "Is there a way we can hide the purity of his aura, and also change his appearance?"

He wanted to bring Eisendrache out more so he could grow faster, but if Eisendrache was brought out without precautions, other Magical Beasts, and even top powerhouses would be able to sense him and would come for him.

Eisendrache was a walking treasure, and any top Family or Faction would want to acquire him, especially since he was still so young. Building a relationship with him now was the best option, once he grows bigger, he wouldn't want to be treated as a mount.

"There is a way I can hide the aura of his bloodline, but only Dragons of the inner court might possess a way to change his appearance." Lucas explained, he chuckled and added, "If this was a few years ago, I would've been able to visit them. But now... hehe."

"You could enter the inner court?" Grey asked.

He was saucing the meat as he spoke with his father. His father told him of the time he barged into the inner court and forced the Dragon Prince to apologize for disrespecting him.

Apparently, he went on an expedition while Grey was still very little, and encountered Dragons in the place. The Dragon Prince was there and it cost him the chance to get the treasure. It ran back to the inner court after sensing the gap in strength between them.

Originally, it thought it would be safe in the inner court. Given its status, there was no way anything could happen to it. However, to its shock, Lucas barged in and demanded they brought him out. After a battle broke out, the Dragon King was forced to agree to Lucas' demands when he found out its son was the one who offended Lucas.

They've had some dealings with Lucas and know he doesn't go around causing trouble. At first, its pride made it clash with Lucas, but when it saw Lucas' strength, it could only give in to his demands. That act made the relationship between the Dragons and himself a little strained. Of course, he could still contact them, but if they know he has a Dragon with such high quality bloodline with him, they might start a war with him.

Grey was left speechless by his father's story. The fact that he could confidently storm into the inner court, the territory of Dragons and force the Prince to apologize to him shows just how terrifying he is.

This was the first time Grey and his father were having such a moment together since they reunited. Since the time they reunited, he had been going to one place or the other and he hadn't really been able to spend any time having casual talks like these with his father.

They continued talking while Grey prepared the meal. In no time, the fresh aroma of well cooked meat wafted around the place as everyone, including Lucas, waited patiently for the meal to be ready.

The entire Continent was searching for a treasure that didn't exist, and Grey, the person who led them in the wrong direction, was having a great time with his father, having a father-son bond while they ate a great meal.

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The duo spent over a week during the journey. In the space of one week, the Continent has started to calm down from its state of chaos due to the apparition looking in a certain direction.

Lucas and Grey went back to the Dawson manor and quickly found out everyone had gone in search of the opportunity to become a God.

The duo couldn't help but laugh at everyone's actions.

"This should give me a chance to gather all the top powerhouses." Lucas murmured to himself.

"What are your plans now? You're technically one of the top powerhouses in the Continent at the moment." He turned his attention to Grey.

"Well..." Grey paused, he didn't know if he should tell his father about his plans to sneak into the Gnome world or not.

"What is it?" Lucas raised a brow, he could sense whatever Grey wanted to tell him might not be what he would like to hear.

"You see, I have a way to sneak into the Gnome world without being noticed..." He told him of how he could control the Seventh Prince of the Gnome race.

Lucas looked at his son, stunned at the guts he had to even think of such a thing. Everyone was searching for a way to stop the Gnomes and Grey wanted to sneak into their world.

He burst out laughing.

Grey looked at his father, he didn't know if the laugh was a good one or not.

Chapter 1497 Meeting Up With Klaus

Lucas looked at his son, although he was a little shocked at what he said, he didn't reprimand him.

"Do you have a way to ensure you're not caught?" He asked.

"I haven't started the official plan, but once I'm ready I'll make sure I have an escape route." Grey replied after giving it a thought.

"Okay, give me a few months. I should be able to make it less dangerous for you. At least you only have to worry about the Sovereigns there." Lucas said.

To be honest, he didn't see anything wrong with Grey's intention. As long as Grey could ensure he didn't get caught, which he was confident about, there was nothing to worry about.

Grey wouldn't throw away his life, it was not in his character. This was the main reason Lucas wasn't worried.

"Alright. I'm not going in now. I have to wait for my friends to get to the Sovereign Plane as well. So I think two months or so should be enough." Grey said to his father.

The duo spoke for a while before separating. Grey had gotten to the Sovereign Plane, and even though he had tested his strength, he still wasn't a hundred percent confident yet. He wanted to see if he could fight against the very best.

Conor had gone out, so he didn't get to see him before leaving. He had the choice of either going back to his Faction, or traveling around the Continent once again. He picked the latter since it was more fun and he would be able to experience more battles that way.

He picked up his communication device and when he saw Klaus' location, he couldn't help but chuckle.

"He has broken through. So soon."

Although Grey expected Klaus to break through quickly, he didn't think it would happen so soon.

From the tracking device he could tell that Klaus wasn't in his Faction. The only way Klaus could leave the Faction was if he had already gotten to the Sovereign Plane.

With that thought in mind, Grey headed straight for Klaus.

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Three days later.

In a City around the Eplor region.

Grey stood in front of a large mansion and couldn't help but check the tracking device once again. Klaus' dot was showing right in front of him, but he didn't have any knowledge of Klaus owning such a place or even knowing anyone here.

The Eplor region is a famous place for its businesses. It has one of the most prestigious auction houses in the entire Continent and is well respected. The place Klaus was residing at the moment was one of the buildings belonging to the auction house.

According to what Grey heard on his way here, Klaus was very famous, especially after his break through. The stories of his break through has spread across the entire Continent and even Grey was amazed by it. The fact that Klaus could garner such fame just by breaking through was astonishing.

"Well, there's no point standing here."

Grey walked into the building, and it was luxuriously furnished. The chairs he saw around seemed to be made from top tier magical beast hide.

A young lady approached him the moment he entered the place.

"Hello sir, welcome to the Kerr Auction House, how may we be of service?" The young lady was very polite as she spoke to him.

This wasn't Grey's first time coming to a place like this, so he expected something like this.

"I'm here to see a friend, Klaus Ealdian." He replied.

"Oh, you're here to see young master Klaus. I'll have to confirm with him first." The young lady bowed politely, she asked as she was leaving, "May I know your name, sir?"

"Grey." Grey replied.

The young lady bowed and left. She didn't know who Grey was and just went on to meet Klaus.

In a luxurious room in the auction house which also served as a tavern for high ranking members to stay in.

Klaus could be seen eating some fruits. He was carefree and relaxed, almost as if there was nothing that could bother him.

He soon heard a knock on his door.

"Come in."

The young lady entered and bowed to him, "Sir, you have a visitor."

"A visitor?" Klaus was taken aback. He didn't expect anyone to come see him here, neither was he expecting anyone in the first place.

"Yes." The young lady nodded.

"Who might that be?" Klaus asked suspiciously, ready to run if it was anyone from his Faction.

One of the reasons he liked this place was because they kept their customers safe. No matter what happens, very few people could cause trouble here. He knows for a fact his Faction Leader wouldn't take the stress of coming here to search for him. So as long as it was someone else, he could always make sure he could escape.

"He said his name is Grey."

"What?!" Klaus was stunned, "Send him in."

He didn't expect Grey to find him here. To a certain extent, he was amazed that Grey could find his exact location. But thinking about it, it's Grey, he was capable of doing almost everything.

The young lady went out and soon came back with Grey.

"Haha, bud, what are you doing here?" Klaus laughed and walked up to Grey.

"I said I should come see how you're doing." Grey looked around and said, "You seem to be doing alright for yourself."

"Haha, all these are nothing. I'm a VIP here, and all my needs are cared for. If you need anything, you can tell me and I'll look up their stocks." Klaus replied.

"That's nice to know, but I have no interest in these things." Grey smiled and studied Klaus, "The Sovereign Plane, how nice."

"Yeah, can you imagine it?" Klaus laughed and said, "When we were in the Azure Continent who even knew there was such a thing as the Sovereign Plane."

Grey laughed, indeed they didn't know about this.

Chapter 1498 You Always Get All The Great Things!

"Want to have a short sparring session?" Grey asked with a cheeky smile.

"I'll only spar with you if my brain is defective. I'm not doing that ever again." Klaus looked Grey in the eyes and replied.

There was no way he would fight with Grey. He literally saw Grey create an apparition in the sky that looked at everyone like they were ants, and Grey was trying to get him to fight him? Hell no!

Grey was surprised at Klaus' blatant refusal, but after thinking about all the times they've sparred, he understood Klaus' reason.

"Don't tell me you're not confident in yourself." He tried to rile Klaus up.

The reason he wanted to spar with Klaus was that he knew Klaus was very powerful. He needed someone like that to at least test his strength.

"Even if I was under your mind control, my body will never agree to do it." Klaus wore a straight face as he said this, he looked at Grey and said, "Look, give it up. I'd rather fight two First stage Sovereigns than spar with you."

Grey could only shake his head, he didn't know it had gotten to this stage.

"What's the plan now? Why are you here?" He changed the topic since there was no hope in getting Klaus to spar with him.

"We have to wait for those slow pokes." Klaus was ready to enter the Gnome world right now, but he knew they had to wait for Alice and Reynolds.

"Actually, my father said he has a plan that will make it less dangerous for us when we go." Grey told Klaus about his father's promise.

"Haha, if the danger is significantly reduced, we'll be able to cause mayhem there." Klaus was excited at the thought of this.

He didn't know how Grey's father planned to make it less dangerous, but it would definitely involve eliminating anything that could kill them with ease. Maybe there's a way he could make them look like Gnomes.

If they could look like Gnomes, they would be able to do whatever they want in the Gnome world without having to bother about anything. As long as they didn't offend the really powerful families, they were good.

"That's the plan. Kill as many as we can. If we can take out all the Princes and leave only that guy who's under my control to be the heir, I wonder how great it would be." An evil grin appeared on Grey's face.

Klaus was stunned at the idea, and then when he thought about it again, he couldn't help but give Grey a second glance. This was an amazing idea. Taking out everyone blocking the Seventh Prince's path to the throne would mean that the status of the Seventh Prince would automatically soar to the Crowned Prince since he would be the only one without any competitors.

It might be suspicious, but it was normal in royal families like that for things like this to happen. It even shows the ruthlessness one needs to be crowned Emperor. He would be respected across the world.

"A devilish plan that will sort out issues not just for now, but for future purposes as well." Klaus commented, appreciating Grey's foresight.

Grey smiled and said, "There's still the impending danger of our world being invaded by them. If we can force them back, we will then know this plan will clear out future problems."

Klaus nodded, the reason they wanted to sneak into the Gnome world in the first place was to try to reduce the forces of the Gnomes. If they could take out as many Sovereigns as they could, it would reduce the pressure on the humans when the war starts.

The duo spoke for a while and Klaus told Grey of his spectacular breakthrough and how he escaped and had been hiding here for some days now.

Grey wanted to speak about the difficulties he had breaking through, but Klaus didn't want to hear anything about it.

He eventually gave up and told him about having a Dragon.

"Fuck! You always have all the best things!" Klaus felt even more vexed from this information.

He thought Grey didn't want to show off, but from the looks of it, it was clear that Grey came to him just to show off.

"You're the lucky one. I wanted the Dragon blood essence but was left with the responsibility of not only taking care of him, but also helping him seek revenge on behalf of his mother." Grey sighed.

The idea of having a Dragon was nice, but he already had Void who seems to be superior or on equal footing with Dragons in terms of bloodline. And there's also the bunny leader he couldn't even judge with logic. Even Void found the bunny leader odd.

The bunny leader has gone out to continue building his army of bunnies. Actually this time, Grey was the one who told it to go out. Before the bunny leader returns, Grey was certain it would've gotten to the Eighth Rank like Void. And if it gets to the Eighth Rank, it would be able to recruit a Rank Eight bunny into its army.

Grey didn't understand how the bunny leader's bloodline worked, but he didn't really care too much. Since he had already built a bond with it and it wasn't after him again he was good with whatever it did.

The bunnies the bunny leader is going to recruit are a very important part of Grey's mission into the Gnome world as he would take them with him. With the bunny leader and the bunnies around, Grey could establish the largest information network known to the world. He could get information on anything as it happens. This will give him the chance to move without ever being caught or noticed until he was done with whatever he was doing.

Having a Dragon was just giving him more responsibility. Of course, in the future Eisendrache will be useful, but for now, he has to bear with him, after all, he's only a child.

Chapter 1499 Abandon It

The duo stayed at the tavern for two more days. Klaus said he was waiting for the auction that is going to be held in a few days. There's something he wanted to get for his girlfriend.

Grey was surprised Klaus was still in the relationship, but given how much effort Klaus had actually put in, he knew Klaus genuinely likes her.

He didn't think too much about it, but Klaus started bugging him about having a girlfriend.

He has known Grey for a long time and Grey has never been with anyone. It was a strange concept. Yes, he liked the fact that Grey was so focused on his cultivation, he still found it weird.

"It isn't time yet." Grey replied with a straight face.

"You're wasting your face. Give it to Rey if you have no use for it." Klaus looked at him in disdain.

"Hey, why don't we go visit Kyle on our way to meet your girlfriend?" Grey changed the topic.

"Sure, I haven't seen him since we went on that expedition." Klaus nodded, he had no issues with going in search of Kyle.

At the moment, the chance of them having a far higher cultivation stage than Kyle was high. But given the pressure most of the geniuses from top Factions and Families are, he might not be far from the Sovereign Plane.

The duo stayed in the tavern and when the auction started, the item Klaus wanted was a pendant. It was made from a top Magical Beast's core and could help improve the cultivation speed of an individual. Of course, it had its limits. For people like Klaus and Grey, it was pretty much useless, but for someone still in the Venerable Plane, it was useful.

Klaus' girlfriend wasn't from a top Family and could only be regarded as a mid level Family. The current Klaus could shake the foundation of the Family, this shows just how much he has grown. When he went there the first time, he was only in the Sage Plane. During the next visit, they were Venerables and could go toe to toe with his supposed father-in-law. This was the Family Head of the Family, and he isn't even as strong as the young man who loves his daughter.

Klaus had been seeing his girlfriend occasionally, when she's not in the Family manor. Although it was occasionally, he usually sneaks out of the Faction with the help of an Elder who has a soft spot for him. Apparently, it was the same Elder that escorted him there the last time. Seeing how much both Klaus and his girlfriend loved each other, she promised to occasionally help him come see her.

The item is something Klaus' girlfriend's Family could not afford, but for someone of Klaus' status, it wasn't hard to pay. Besides, he had Grey by his side. The son of Lucas Dawson, the golden genius of this generation, of course he was loaded with essence stones!

And indeed, Grey is always loaded with these stones. He was an arraymaster and needed them to create arrays whenever he needed to, so he always had them with him. Not just that, but he has a large variety of treasures on him and would occasionally exchange them for high quality essence stones.

The duo had already contacted Kyle while they were still staying at the tavern and Kyle was closer to them. But they planned to spend some time with him, so they went to see Klaus' girlfriend first.

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The duo spent almost a week at Luthera's place. She was still very low leveled, but with help of the item Klaus gifted her, Grey was certain she would be able to grow quickly.

After they were done with that, they had to travel over to where Kyle was located. It took two days, but they soon arrived in the region Kyle was in.

They soon arrived deep in a forest.

"Searching for treasures." Grey commented as they arrived.

"Yeah, but this place has a strange feeling about it." Klaus frowned.

"That's because the air is poisoned. Don't tell me you haven't sensed it yet?" Grey couldn't help but look at Klaus suspiciously, as if implying he was a fake Sovereign.

"Not everyone has your great senses bud, but see..." Klaus opened his palm and an ice made of black appeared on his palm, "But I have my ways too."

Grey gave Klaus a piercing look and he couldn't help but feel slightly astounded, there was a small layer around Klaus' skin. It was almost undetectable, if not for this thing Klaus did, he would've never noticed it. He had been with Klaus for over a week now, and he was just sensing this, to tell you how impeccable it was.

"You always keep it active, I see." He commented, regaining his composure.

"Yeah, it's a technique I learned from my Faction and it's very easy for me. It doesn't even overexert me." Klaus commented.

"I see." Grey nodded, impressed.

"There's a thick miasma here. The fact that it has spread to this place shows that it's not simple." Grey looked into the depths of the forest, where Kyle was located and frowned, "We should hurry before he falls into danger."

Klaus nodded and followed Grey as they entered the place. The plan was to get to Kyle before it was too late.

Some top experts have been left crippled due to being exposed to poison miasma for too long. Well, they didn't need to worry about that with Grey here, as long as Kyle is still alive, he could easily extract the miasma from his body.

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Deep in the forest.

A group of Venerables in the Mid stages was surrounded by some Darkness Elemental Magical Beasts.

"They're too many. How can we leave with it?" One of the Venerables said.

Individually, they were stronger, but the Magical Beasts had the number advantage.

Kyle looked at the situation, compared to Grey and his friends who made sure they didn't grow beards, Kyle was different. He grew beards, although he still looked very young, the beards gave him a slightly different look.

"Abandon it."

Chapter 1500 I'm Trying To Catch Up

"What?!"

"Are you deaf?" Kyle looked at the young man who asked the question, "Drop it slowly and move back!"

Kyle yelled at him. He was the one who was leading the group, one of them was already seriously wounded, and if they tried to forcefully take this item with them, not only will the young man die, but all of them risked facing death as well.

"Drop it, let's retreat." A young lady in the group said to the young man.

"You all have gone crazy. We came here for this. Have you forgotten how important it is?" The young man didn't want to let go of the item.

"Is it worth all our lives?" Kyle asked coldly.

"Stop arguing you two, they're already forcing their way through our defense." Another young man interjected.

"Drop it." Kyle said coldly.

"No." The young man stood by his initial stance. There was no way he was going to let go of this item.

Kyle grunted and just as he was about to take a step towards the young man he froze and turned to look in a particular direction.

Not just him, but the others did the same as well. They could sense a powerful aura speeding through the woods coming towards them.

On a normal day, they would've been excited since it might be help. But given their current situation, the chances of this being even more dangerous was far higher.

"Abandon it, quickly." Kyle said and rushed towards the other direction.

"Don't worry Kyle, we're here to help."

A voice sounded in Kyle's ears, and to the surprise of everyone present, a figure appeared inside their defensive wall.

They didn't know what to say as they saw the figure, the reason for this was the ease he used in getting into their defensive wall. They didn't even sense when he got in.

However, hearing the figure mention Kyle's name released the tension they were feeling.

"Grey, you're here!" Kyle turned around to face Grey, elation on his face.

"It's nice to see you too. I didn't think you would escape in such a manner." Klaus' laughter came from outside the defensive wall.

He was casually strolling in the middle of the creatures that were attacking the defensive wall.

The eyes of those present almost popped out when they saw this. Klaus was casually strolling amongst these dangerous creatures, and they hadn't even attacked him, it was almost as if they couldn't see him.

"Klaus, you're here too!" Kyle's smile got brighter.

"Of course, we were around and decided to come check you out." Klaus said.

Grey took a glance at Klaus and couldn't help but shake his head. They literally spoke with Kyle some days ago, yet Klaus was acting as if he didn't know Kyle came out for an expedition.

"You... you... watch out!" One of the young lady's in the group screamed when one of the creatures tried to attack Klaus from behind.

The creatures were Snakes, and all of them had the Darkness Element.

"Oh..." Klaus remained nonchalant and as the Snake was about to place its large mouth over Klaus, hoping to swallow him with a single move, it became frozen solid.

The black skin of the snake started to turn white as it was frozen solid from its head down to its tail. The freezing didn't happen instantaneously, rather, it moved slowly from its head down to the tail.

Kyle knew Klaus' character so he wasn't too amazed at it. It was something simple a more powerful opponent could do to their opponents.

Kyle might be indifferent, but the rest people who were in his group was starstruck. Klaus had an elegant look, and he was always dressed almost like royals. His luxurious dressings matches his face, making him charming.

Klaus didn't stop there, with a nonchalant expression, he spread out his hands and the temperature around them dropped. Even the defensive wall froze, and shattered. But the group didn't have the time

to worry about their broken defensive wall, before their eyes, the numerous Snakes that has been giving them a tough time were all frozen with just one move from Klaus.

When they sensed the strength behind Klaus' attack, they couldn't help but shiver. Even Kyle was taken aback by Klaus' improvement.

Originally, he felt they were in the Late stages, but from what Klaus just displayed, then he was definitely at the Peak. The thought of Klaus already becoming a Sovereign didn't cross his mind. In fact, he didn't think Grey had gotten to the Sovereign Plane as well. He found it difficult to accept that either of them had broken through to the Sovereign Plane, even given their talents.

"That should be enough." Klaus commented coolly as he walked past the group who were still in awe of his abilities.

"It's been so long, bud." He said as he got closer to Kyle.

Kyle had his mouth slightly agape, not expecting this much improvement from Klaus.

He threw a glance at Grey who shrugged, "You already know he likes showing off."

Kyle nodded and asked softly, "What stage are you guys?"

"Sovereigns." Grey was the one who answered his question.

The second the word Sovereign left Grey's mouth, the others present went silent. They could all hear each other's breaths.

"What's wrong? Haven't seen a Sovereign before?" Klaus asked with a smile.

"You guys are cheats." Kyle gave a wry smile. He thought he was already fast and should be close to catching up to these guys, but from the looks of it, they would only continue to leave him behind.

"He's the cheat, I'm only trying to catch up to him." Grey pointed at Klaus. In truth, he was the one who was catching up to Klaus.

Klaus was the first to get to the Sovereign Plane. Although there's a chance Grey might've achieved this before him if not for some unforeseen circumstances, it doesn't change the fact that Klaus broke through first.